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Wish our friends and supporters

A Blessed and Prosperous

New Year 1974

PRAYER

"Onward and Upward"

O LORD, Thou knowest what is best for us, give what Thou wilt, and how much Thou wilt. and when Thou wilt. Deal with us as Thou thinkest good, and as best pleaseth Thee, and is most for Thine honour. Set us where Thou wilt, and deal with us in all things just as Thou wilt.

Confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and grant that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy, so that at the last we may come to Thine eternal joy.

The National Missionary Society of India ANNOUNCES.

**Co-ordination Conference March 1974
(for the Indigenous Missionary Societies and the Church
representatives)**

“They may be one.....that the world will believe.”

THE AIM

In the present context of the Government's attitude not to give permission to the foreign missionaries to come into this country, and because of the opposition to conversion by some political parties, it is necessary that the Indigenous Missions and Churches in the country to have a co-ordinated plan of preaching the Gospel.

We found that the late Mr. K. T. Paul, during the period of his General Secretaryship was burdened with the task of bringing together the various big and small Indigenous Missionary Societies of the churches in India into a fellowship by affiliation, to work in a co-ordinated plan to avoid wastage in resources and man-power.

We know from the history of the Missions in India that the lack of fellowship and co-ordinated plan among the various missionary societies had affected the witness of the church. The little flock we have, has to be guarded and to be united so that “the world will believe” that Jesus is the Saviour.

So, the Executive committee of the N.M.S. held in Hyderabad in March 1972 kindly approved the plan to have a co-ordination conference. The aim is not for amalgamation or assimilation but to have a co-ordinated plan to cover India with the Gospel message while the door is yet open.

We propose to call for a co-ordinated conference for two days in the month of **March 1974 in Madras**. Exact dates will be announced later. We request the Missionary Societies which are connected with the church and independent ones to send a representative to the conference. The N.M.S. will play the host. As the N.M.S. is an indigenous body, financially it is in the same state as any other indigenous body. So, we will be glad if the societies could meet the travel expense of their representatives. If there is any body who cannot meet the travel of its representative, then we will try to help him with our meagre finances, since we would like all to participate and contribute their ideas.

We request the Churches and the Missions to send in information to the General Secretary N.M.S. House, 102, Peters Road, Royapettah, Madras-14, regarding their missionary societies and the name and address of the person whom we can contact.

We request all the friends to pray for this conference. If the friends know any Missionary Body that has no connection with the N.M.S., they are requested to send in details of that body. This is an Inter-denominational one and so all denominations are invited.

N.M.S. House,
102, Peters Road, Madras-600014.

(Rev.) K. G. S. DORAIRAJ,
General Secretary.

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NEW YEAR MESSAGE

(By The Rt. Rev. J. K. Mohanty B.A., B.D. Bishop of
Cuttack—Orissa.)

1974—God in His mercy has allowed us to enter into another year.
Another year means another new path to travel.

As we begin our journey in this new path, we need to be sure of our provision, we need to know what God wants us to have. The Bible is full of God's commands—what we should do in order to be equipped with the required provisions for the new path. Let us remind ourselves of three verses from the Bible.

(1) 'Arise, and eat, for the path is more than your strength' (1 Kg: 19:7). Yes, the way that stretches before us is beyond our strength. We need strength to walk. We need strength to sustain us on the way at times of danger. For this we need food.

We need bodily food every day undoubtedly for bodily strength. We will be required to labour for this food to sustain ourselves and our family in the days to come. But, that is not all our complete need. Besides food for the body, we need food for our soul—Spiritual food. Jesus said "man will not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth from the mouth of God" (Mat. 4:4). We need to have this food every day. This food has to be assimilated into our life so that we are able to conquer any spiritual crisis in our life. The 'Word of God' is the spiritual food we need every day, for ourselves, our children, our near and dear ones and for all members of the Church.

Let us look at this spiritual food from another angle. 'The word became flesh and dwelt among us' (John. 1:14). Jesus is the Word personified. What did Jesus say in John. 6:35. 'I am that bread which gives life, he who comes to me shall never be hungry ! Again in John 6:51, Jesus says, 'I am that meat which has come down from heaven, one who eats this meat shall live eternally'. If we open our heart and accept Jesus into our life, we will be in

possession of the lifegiving and strength giving meat to sustain us in the new path.

(2) 'Watch and pray lest you fall into temptation' (Mark. 14:38).

Alertness of body and soul is another necessary provision for the new path. Through prayer we are in communication with the source from where our help comes.

A man who is on his knees constantly is one who is watchful. Prayerfulness coupled with watchful mind is the effective weapon to detect and deal with any temptation that comes on our way. This is so when one is travelling in a new path. The safety and security of an aeroplane depends primarily upon its contact with the airport from which it takes off and to which it is destined. It is fatal if this contact is broken at any stage. Similarly our contact with God through prayer is essential for our spiritual safety.

(3) '..... Looking unto Jesus who is the author and finisher of our faith' (Heb. 12:1-2). There are times during the journey when we lose our foothold and when we are unable to see the path ahead of us. It is essential at this time to have our eyes fixed on our fellow traveller, who is also our guide in our journey. He is God with us—Immanuel—Jesus Christ our Lord. We have nothing to fear when He is with us. Our journey though new and uncertain; we have Him as our companion and guide.

Christ's Witnesses in India

(By the Rev. P. J. Thomas, Krupa Nivas, Perumbavoor, Kerala)

5. ALEXANDER DUFF

We are here dealing with an epoch-making period of the history of the Christian enterprise in India. Alexander Duff was a pioneer in missionary work through education. It was due to him, of course, after the passing of the famous Macaulary Minute, that the English language was accepted as the official language of India for higher education and for Governmental purpose. Duff was a staunch believer in the finality, uniqueness and universality of the Christian Gospel. He was also a firm advocate of the efficacy of the English language to uplift and to enrich the heart and mind of the people of India. He thus was instrumental in transforming the entire outlook of the intelligentsia in the sub-continent.

There is an abundance in the material necessary for the study of the life of the great man, such as the voluminous biography by George Smith, a Memoir by Duff's own son, and a brief life-sketch by Dr. William Paton, besides a lot of letters and writings which invite further study. I am depending on the book by William Paton as far as this article is concerned.

Born in Scotland on the 25th. April, 1806, of parents who were "people of passionate religious faith of the rugged Calvinist type, tinged with the fire and the sadness of the Celtic nature," Duff was 'full of vigour and freshness, stalwart in frame, bouyant in spirit, full of energy and enthusiasm, impulsive but not rash'. Of his education it was the years spent under the renowned Thomas Chalmers that stand uppermost in the records. Interest in India was first roused by the boy's father himself who used to show him pictures of men and scenes of India. But it was an article in the Edinburgh Encyclopaedia that stirred his mind to take up missionary work here. Finally the death of a bosom friend—John Urquhart—who had already decided for work in this country, that precipitated the starting out. Alexander told his parents: "What if your son should take up his cloak"? and the parents readily gave their consent.

It took full seven months for Duff and his young wife to reach Calcutta and that too after two shipwrecks and losing all their possessions; including some 800 books. There was a happy exception; Duff got back his Bible. Preparations were taken to start the work and that was to teach the young with the chief purpose of turning their hearts to Christ. There was the problem of getting a building not to speak of the students for the school. In both these things he got the most magnanimous help of the great Indian, Raja Ram Mohun Roy. The Institute which started with half-a-dozen soon grew to having three hundred young men. It was a grand sight to see Alexander Duff "working six hours a day teaching Bengalee youth the English Alphabet." He was wise enough to encourage the learning of the vernacular also. He made it a rule that no one should be admitted who did not know reading and writing Bengalee.

Duff had of course to face several oppositions. The two major oppositions were from the Brahmanical Hinduism and from Educated Agnosticism. Then there were the Orientalists who opposed him on the ground that his plan was impracticable. The missionaries derided him saying that he was unfaithful in the matter of the usual time-honoured method of evangelicism by preaching. "Opposed and derided, Duff went ahead" Bible teaching was candidly given the front rank in the curriculum. Difficulties came through

students who started to proclaim the disbelief and contempt of popular cults. The cry was raised that Hinduism was in danger. At one time the number of students went down to a mere dozen. Public lectures which were planned as yet another method of spreading the Christian truth had to be given up. A branch school was started at Takee fifty miles from Calcutta.

All the same the Word of God gained ground. Conversions began to take place. It was a very long story. We can only make a list of the great men who through the influence of Duff proved to be (to use the words of the historian Richter) "glittering stars in the firmament of the Indian Christian world". Krishna Mohun Banerji, Mahesh Chandra Ghose, Gopinath Dundi; Anand Chand Muzumdar, Macendra Lal Basak, Kailas Chandra Mukherji, Lal Bihari Dey, Jugishwar Bhattarja, Prasan Kumar Chatterji, Biharilal Singh, Guru Das Maitra, Umesh Chandra Sircar, and the Dutt family in which the most famous was the great poetess Toru Dutt. The list is revealing to any who has insight. A steady stream of educated converts including not only Hindus but also Muslims kept flowing in till the very end of his missionary career.

Although it was converting people to the Lord Jesus that occupied the heart and mind of the ardent messenger of the Gospel, there were a lot of other activities to which he gave attention to help the country and the people. In this also we can only give a list which is even longer than that of the converts: The very first Medical College in Calcutta and that means in the whole of India and perhaps in the whole of the East; the publication of the Hindustani-English Dictionary; a journal with Christian ideas with the title CALCUTTA CHRISTIAN OBSERVER; the duties of a pastor in the Scottish Christian Congregation; the first Training College for sending educational workers in several parts of India and Burma; Sunday class for Bengallee clerks; pioneering in the education of women; a refugee home for orphan girls; an efficient school for the same; work in Nuddea for the children of the Kharta Bhajas; fight against infant betrothal, early marriage, and prohibition of widow remarriage; New Mission in Bansbaria in Hoogli; a home for Christian students and converts; the editing of the CALCUTTA REVIEW; the erection of a great Hospital in Calcutta close to the Medical College; efforts for the improvement of the Anglo-Indians; the establishment of the Universities of Calcutta, Bombay and Madras; the starting by the Government of the now familiar Grant-in-aid system. It is an imposing list indeed!

Duff was elected to the Presidenship of the Bethune Society, a body formed for the discussion of subjects of general interest to the exclusion of religions. He was offered the post of Vice Chancellor

of the University but failure of health prevented him and he had to leave India in 1863. On recouping his health, there was waiting for him the high position of the Moderator of the Free Church of Scotland.

It was his concern while on his furloughs to revive the Missionary spirit in the mother church. He was never idle even after the final departure from the scene of his labours. The opening of the Jewish mission, the establishment of a sustentation fund, the Irish Mission in Gujarat, the famine in Bengal, the mission to the Gonds and to the Santals, the work of Narayana Sheshadri in Jalna, in Hyderabad, the fusion of several missions to run the Madras Christian College, are things to which he gave a lot of his energy and skill. The African Zulu mission, the Kaffrarian work and the Livingstonia mission also deserve mention in this connection. Missionary Training, Missionary Professorship in Theological Colleges Missionary Institutes and a Missionary Quarterly were the other things which claimed his attention. The International Review of Missions is said to be "an excellent illustration of Duff's far-sightedness". The biographer's remark is worth quoting: Any who recollects the outlook of Edinburgh 1910 will realize in how many ways Duff would have been at home there".

The veteran educational missionary of India passed away in 1878 in his 72nd year. As Dr. William Paton says by way of conclusion, "If Duff had all the Pauline self-abasement, he had the Pauline joy and triumph too.....His rejoicing was not in what he had done but in what God had done through him".

Great Hymn and their authors No. 6

Jesus Lover of my soul. Songs & Solos 227.

Love divine all love excelling. Songs & Solos 242.

Hark the herald angels sing ,, 30.

Charles Wesley 1707—1788.

These hymns are reckoned among the best in the English hymnary. Charles Wesley and John Wesley founders of Methodism lived almost through the eighteenth century in England as great religious revivalists, the former by his hymns and the latter by his preaching. Charles wrote more than 600 hymns and taking quantity and quality into consideration, he is the greatest hymn writer of all ages. There are many stories told about the origin of the hymn "Jesus lover of my soul". One story is that there was a storm

that was raging in England and many were looking at a ship in distress. Charles was roused from his sleep by the fierceness of the storm and on opening the window, a bird, probably chased by a hawk, found protection in the bosom of Charles Wesley. Under an inspiration of the circumstances, he turned to his desk and immediately wrote this hymn.

No ship wrecked, man or woman, no dove pursued by a hawk has greater need of shelter and protection than the soul of a man battered by satan and the world.

It is admitted by all historians that the brother Wesleys by their untiring and ceaseless religious revival work saved England from a political revolution such as that which ruined France in the eighteenth century.

E.P.G.

The relationship of the Churches with the National Missionary Society of India.

Church of South India and the N.M.S.

1948 C.S.I. Synod Resolution No. No. 48/13 (g)

"Commended the N.M.S. to the interest and support of the whole church and that if the N.M.S. is carrying on work in any diocese of the church, the work should be regarded as an integral part of the work of the diocese."

The Church of North India and the N.M.S.

Passed at the C.N.I. officers meeting on Dec. 2nd. 1973. Resol. No. 73/18.

"Resolved that the work of the N.M.S. be commended to the interest and co-operative support of the C.N.I. as mission in which the N.M.S. is engaged, is identical with the mission of the C.N.I. as with that of the rest of the Universal Church, and that in this missionary involvement, competitions and clashes should at all costs be avoided on either side, and if and when there be any such, it should be immediately brought to the notice of the N.M.S. and the C.N.I."

Report from Organising Secretary for South India.

The Rev. J. M. Jayasingh reports :-

The North Tamil Nadu Area Committee and the South Tamil Nadu Area Committee were formed on the 12th, November and on the 9th. December respectively.

Officers of the S.T.N. Area Committee are as follow :-

South Tamil Area Committee.

President : The Rev. M. D. Rajamani.

Vice President : The Rev. Dhyhan Chand Carr.

Secretary : Mr. Solomon Rajaiah,

At the beginning of December, he was able to visit Nazareth branch which was started at the beginning of 1973. The members meet in the church regularly and pray for the missionary work.

His visit to Palayamkottai proves that there is a possibility to start a branch there.

On the 16th of December, N.M.S. Sunday was observed in the Central Church Vellore. After the service, a branch was formed in the church, with the following officers :-

The President :- The Rev. D. A. Gregory, presbyter.

Secretaries. Messers. Finny Amos and John Jesunesan,

The Annual Report of the Bombay Area committee.

The organising Secretary for west India cum Bombay area committee secretary, Mr. J. P. Ashwal reports :-

I praise the Lord for His boundless mercies and blessings shown to us in the past year and for His grace in enabling us to enter into the 26th year of its service. I regret to state that due to unavoidable circumstances, it was not possible to convene the annual meeting of the Area Committee earlier. However, I am happy now to present our annual report for the year 1972-73. In this world of turmoil and hatred, will the frustrated people hear the good news of our Lord? Will the Christians, confronted with

everyday problems, support the gospel work by their prayers and through financial participation? Will the Churches, involved in their internal struggles, stand up for God? If the answer is in the negative, they shall stand as a barrier for the progress and fulfilment of our Lord's commission. When we are facing these possibilities, one has to admit that missionary work also is not exempt from ups and downs. However, in these last days, we are reminded of Job's saying ".....great things doeth He, which we cannot comprehend" (Job. 37:5). Though we cannot comprehend His mysterious ways, we rejoice and thank Him for fulfilling His purpose.

Our Branches—Out of 13 branches, 10 are among the Kannada Christians, 2 are among Maharastrian Christians and one is among Telugu Christians. I may mention that Chembur branch has shown zeal and good progress in their activities, namely, conducting prayer fellowship meetings and raising monthly collections. As the convener in Kurla tendered his resignation, I had to convene a meeting, and a new convener, Mr. Bethuel Maben, was appointed. In the Andheri branch, as the convener could not take up his responsibilities, with his consent, I entrusted this work to Mr. S. O. Karkada, who is at present an elder of the Sushanthi Church. The work in Kalyan, Bandra, and Boriveli branches slowed down. Ambernath branch is alive which is evidenced by the fact that the volunteers gather together for a prayer fellowship once in a month and discuss about their problems, collections etc. There is not much to report about other branches but work is rather steady. The question of expanding branches among the Maharastrian Christians has been engaging our attention. Shortly, we are going to approach the respective Church authorities to find ways and means to increase our collection. I have to mention that there are branches with committees which have not met even once a year. The Conveners of these branches would do well to take up this question with volunteers. I take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers for taking pains in visiting families for collection work. They are the mainstay of our branches. The branches exist because of them. The total number of volunteers at the end of the year under review was 52. The following are the names of new volunteers :- M/s Stanley Soans, J. W. David, Mohan Fernandez. The number of those who ceased to be volunteers are two. Our thanks are due to them for their service in the past.

Prayer Fellowship—The five branches namely, Kurla, Vikhroli, Chembur, Bandra, and Borivli have been conducting prayer fellowship meetings at 8 centres. Some branches maintained regular fellowship meetings. However, at certain branches meetings were not regularly arranged. We express our deep gratitude to all Christian families who participated in the meetings and also to the speakers who gave gospel messages on these occasions.

N.M.S. Sunday Day of Prayer—There was a good response to the call of prayer from the Churches and Christian Institutions. The following Churches and Institutions observed the N.M.S. Sunday and sent their donations :- Wesley Church, Bowen Memorial Church, Methodist Kanarese Central Church, Methodist Marathi Central Church, St. Andrews Church, Rahathor Memorial Marathi Church, Methodist Telugu Church, Worli Kannada Church, Basel Mission Churches and Methodist Tamil Churches. All Basel Mission Prayer Unions, Sunday Schools and also Kannada Badavara Sangh, observed N.M.S. Sunday.

The N.M.S. is born out of the Churches. We are happy to note that the vision of the founders is being fulfilled now in Bombay as more Churches come forward to shoulder the burden of evangelism. The Society has been a unifying force among the Churches with a single purpose of spreading the gospel of love. It clings to this main purpose on behalf of the Churches. So, the work of the N.M.S. may be regarded as the extension work of the Churches. We hope that the response from the Churches, in the years to come, may become praiseworthy.

N.M.S. Bombay Gift Scheme—As usual, we sent an amount of Rs. 130/- to the children at the Jawadi Hills and Rs. 25/- to Muddebihal children as gift towards Christmas celebrations. We also sent bundles of old and new clothes to both the centres. This was made possible through individual donations both in kind and in cash.

Missionary Aid Fund—The fund has been grownig. Out of this fund which was mainly raised by the Kannada Christians from South Kanara, a worker, Mr. Franklin Bhasme, is being maintained. His work involves in making personal contacts distribution of gospel tracts, conducting children's meetings and gospel meetings at Bidarakundi and Kavadinatti. There are a few enquirers as per his report. Muddebihal, Sindagi and Indi, lie on the eastern border of Bijapur district. They are backward areas in missionary enterprise. Our area secretary visited the centre twice, once with the General Secretary. We were confronted with the problem as to how to hold missionary aid fund. In view of Government's regulations, our auditor advised us to bring this fund under a registered body. This subject was under active consideration and it was thought necessary to keep as endowment all the money in excess of Rs. 3000/- with the N.M.S. Headquarters. So an adhoc committee was formed to draft a constitution and to carry out the formalities in respect of the fund. In consultation with the Headquarters at Madras, an amount of Rs. 15,000/- was sent to them to keep as endowment with necessary instructions.

Silver Jubilee and Annual Get-Together—Under the auspices of the Silver Jubilee Committee, of which Miss L.C. Gorde was the Convener, our Get-together programme and Silver Jubilee Celebrations were organised on the 2nd of January 1973. It was a grand success. Unfortunately, our Bombay Area Committee President could not be present on this auspicious occasion as he had to be away from Bombay. In response to our invitation our General Secretary, the Rev. K. G. S. Doriraj was present and enlivened the combined programme by his timely messages. The get-together programme was presided over by the the Rev. Justin Harris, and Mr. A. R. Sasane presided over the Silver Jubilee Celebration service. The combined programme involved tremendous responsibility and yet with the able guidance of Miss L.C. Gorde and with the co-operation of all concerned and by God's enabling grace, every thing was well accomplished. A Silver Jubilee Souvenir was also brought out and was kindly released on 7-1-73 by Mrs. S. P. Kamble. Our sincere thanks are due to all who helped us in organising the combined programme and in making it a success. Our thanks are also due to all who contributed their co-operation by way of sending greetings, messages of good will, and to the printers and to all others for their co-operation. It is worthwhile to mention that Mr. Maden volunteered to take photographs on this occasion. Our thanks are due to him. Besides we will be failing in our duty if we do not mention the authorities of the Sushanthi Church premises. Our special thanks go to the Rev. G. Vedamuthu.

Standing Committee—The Standing Committee met twice during the year under review.

Vote Of Thanks—Once again I thank all conveners, volunteers, supporters, friends, associate secretaries, and those who helped us in typing and in cyclostyling work. Our thanks are also due to our Hon. auditors M/s B. Satyavrata and A. O. Kunder, and our Chairman, Mr. A. C. Furtado, and the authorities of the Vikhroli Prayer Hall for giving us the Prayer Hall for our use.

In conclusion, when the enemies of the gospel are apparently gaining ground, I have to bring to you by way of exhortation a verse from the epistle to the Hebrews: "Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace that we may obtain mercy and find grace" to help us just when we need it. (Heb. 4:16).

An Announcement to the friends and supporters of the N.M.S. in Madras City

The Madras City Area Committee have decided to have its Annual Get-together on January 26th, 1974. All the friends and

supporters of the N.M.S. in Madras City are cordially invited to attend.

Important dates to remember

Jan. 26th—Madras City Area Committee Annual Get-together.
 Aug. 10th (2nd Saturday)—Madras City N.M.S. Annual Sale.
 Oct. 7-13 N.M.S. Sunday (N.M.S. Annual Retreat in Madras).

OBITUARY.

Dr. Mrs. Satya :

We regret to inform that Dr. Mrs. Satya of Kalyani Hospital Madras had her home-call. She had been a very good supporter of the N.M.S. and so also Mr. Satya. The call had been sudden. As a Medical Officer, she did yeoman service to the public and to the cause of our Lord. We convey our condolence to the bereaved family and pray that she may have eternal joy in our Lord.

Dr. Mrs. B. Rajaratnam : Kilpauk Madras

Dr. Mrs. B. Rajaratnam had been one who had a long-standing association with the Society and its work. She had been one of the Vice-Presidents of the Area Committee and took keen interest in developing the work in the area she lived in. She had been a source of inspiration to the younger generation in creating interest in the Society. She had her home-call suddenly. We convey our condolence and prayers to the bereaved family.

Mr. L. M. Peters :

We regret to inform the sudden demise of Mr. L. M. Peters of Nagpur who has been a long-standing sympathiser and supporter of the Society. Two years ago, without our appeal and at the time of a crisis, he sent Rs. 4000/- to the N.M.S. He got settled down at Bangalore and died of heart-attack. He is survived by his wife and two children. We convey our condolences and prayers to the bereaved family and pray that he may be rewarded with eternal joy in the fellowship of our Saviour.

Subscriptions received for the month of November, 1973

Uttar Pradesh

Treasurer, North India Conference	73	00
Thro' Mr. J. Das Kanpur Branch	50	00
Mr. R. M. Vincent, Allahabad branch	70	00
Mr. S. Paul, Boys Hostel, Almora	27	00
Miss M. T. Speake, Lucknow	30	00
Mr. G. W. Farmer, Mirzapur	5	00
Mrs. Philips, Allahabad	150	00
	405	00

Delhi

Thro' Mr. Francis Pershad

Central Baptist Church	40	00
Karol bagh branch	92	00
Mr. H. E. Netram	60	00
„ R. F. Beecham	15	00
„ Samuel J. Singh	12	00
„ Francis Pershad	30	25
„ B. C. Chose	7	00
„ G. Vincent	35	00
	291	25

Bengal

Treasurer, West Bengal branch	200	00
	200	00

Maharashtra

Mrs. M. Krishnayya	100	00
Prof. J. G. Krishnayya	100	00
Mrs. A. Durai	100	00
Mr. R. Sathyavarata	30	00
	330	00

M. P.

Mr. Oliver Khalkho	5	00
	5	00

Kerala

Thro' Miss Thomas, Calicut

N.M.S. Sunday special collection	60	80
St. Mary's Church	72	25
Branch collection less expenses	16	95

Thro' Mr. Y. Rajas, Parasuvaikal

Smt. Sarojini George	21	04
„ Sobitham Teacher	10	00
„ Mabel Teacher	5	00
„ Dhasamma	5	00
The Prayer Home, Karkala	10	00
Mr. Thomas	5	00
„ M. S. Vailakam Symen	1	00
„ Justin Sanandaraj	1	00
„ Syrus	1	00
„ Y. Rajas	10	00
Thro' Rev. Godwin, Katakada	50	00
Mr. Robinson Crusoe, Kaipatoor	10	00
Mr. C. P. Munusamy, Quilon	50	00
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Mysore

Rev. Thoedre Williams		
Richmond Town church	300	00
The S.I.B.S. Bangarapet		
T.A. to General Secretary	35	00
The Treasurer, U.T.C. Bangalore	30	00
Mr. G. Daniel	10	00
„ Livingston	13	00
Smt. Kalyan	10	00
Miss Nightingale	14	00
	412	00

Madras City

The Headmistress, Bains School	64	50
The Presbyter, Christ Church	15	00
The Pastor C.S.I. Aminjikarai	5	00
Thro' Mr. E. A. Pitchaipillai	142	00
„ „ S. S. Samuel	68	00
„ „ J. F. Devaraj	31	00

„ „ E. Paul Gnana- baranam	538	00	„ J. T. Samuel	1	50
„ „ Dharmaraj	175	00	Dr. J. K. Solomon	3	00
„ „ R. Joseph	198	00	Mr. D. S. Samuel	3	00
„ Mrs. A. Dorairaj	305	00	„ D. S. Aaron	6	00
„ Mr. D. Monsingh	38	00	„ W. J. N. Clements	3	00
„ Mrs. Stella Moses	47	00	„ J. T. Doss	3	00
„ Mr. A. Vetharaj	42	00	„ Edwin Jayaraj	3	00
„ Mrs. Joy Pandian	44	00	„ A. Franklin	3	00
Mr. T. Ambrose Jayasekar	5	00	Mrs. Gnanasundari	3	00
„ E. Lazarus	2	00	Mr. P. D. Gunadina	3	50
„ W. Prakash	2	00	„ Isaac George Martin	1	50
Dr. Jayapaul Azariah	10	00	Mr. A. S. Jayaraj	3	00
Mr. P. S. Dorairaj	5	00	„ John Devasagayam	4	00
„ D. H. Durairaj, Ms-19	50	00	Mrs. Somasundaram	3	00
Mrs. Kent, T. Nagar	36	00	Mr. P. S. Swamidoss	6	00
„ K. David	8	00	„ S. S. Thomas	2	00
„ L. Rajesekaran	10	00	Rev. Arthur Devasagayam	3	00
Dr. Gopalrathnam	25	00	Mrs. J. J. Packianathan	1	50
Mr. G. Zachariah	25	00	Mr. M. David	3	00
Prayer meeting collections			„ Edwin	6	00
Mr. Richard, Aynavaram	8	75	„ Joe Daniel	10	00
Mrs. Gnanadas, Egmore	7	25	„ Joshua Edward	3	00
Mr. A. Chandrasekaran, Madras-10	12	46	„ Ratnasingh Baliah	2	00
Miss Vedanayagam, Tana St.	11	00	„ D. S. Theophilus	0	25
Mr. S. S. Samuel, Kilpauk	7	37	Dr. Daniel Sunderraj	6	00
	46	83	Mr. Jayapaul	1	00
Bihar			„ A. J. S. Sunderraj	3	00
Mrs. K. Sigamoney	15	00	„ Vasan Devaraj	1	50
	15	00	Dr. T. J. S. Thamban	3	00
North Tamil Area			Mr. F. H. Franklin	2	00
<i>Thro' Rev. I. Somasundaram, Christ Church, Coimbatore</i>			„ D. Azariah	2	00
Mr. Anbunathan	3	00	„ F. L. Daniel	1	00
Mrs. G. F. S. Bagyam	1	50	„ George Ambrose	1	00
Mr. R. Barnabas	0	50	Mrs. P. Moses	1	00
„ S. Devasirvadham	1	50	Mr. M. J. Sargunam	6	00
„ V. P. Devarajan	0	60	„ Charles Johnson	1	50
Dr. Duke Karunakaran	3	00	„ N. Devadasan	1	00
Major G. A. David	15	00	Rev. Jaganathan, C.S.I. Kancheepuram, N.M.S.		
Mr. M. D. Gnaniah	3	00	Sunday collections	100	00
„ Gnanaprakasam	6	00	Treasurer, St. Mary's Church, Ranipet	390	38
„ Isaac Chelladurai	1	00	Thro' Miss Arthur, Salem	80	00
„ John Samuel	3	00	<i>Christ Church, W. F.</i>		
„ J. V. Joseph	6	00	Mrs. Annie Margaret	3	00
„ P. A. Jesudoss	6	00	„ Abraham	1	50
„ Job Barnabas	6	00	„ Arthur Wellington	1	50
„ G. A. Kumaresan	8	00	„ Chelliah	1	50
„ J. Manuel	1	50	Dr. Mrs. Deenadayalan	1	50
„ S. J. C. Punniaraj	3	00	Mrs. Durairaj	2	00
			„ Duraipandian	3	00
			„ Devasahayam	1	50
			Dr. Mrs. Devanesan	6	00
			Mrs. Dawson	3	00
			„ Ebenezer	1	50
			„ Esther Ebenezer	1	50
			„ Edward	1	50
			„ Ebenezer V.	1	00

Mr. Velayuthan	1 00
„ Abraham	0 50
„ G. Bright	2 00
„ T. Rogers	1 00
„ M. Ramalakshmanana	1 00
One teacher	1 00
M. Siromoney	1 00
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Andhra Pradesh

Thro' Mrs. F. Baskarraj, Ammuguda School collections	28 00
<i>Thro' Mrs. C. Dharmaraj</i>	
Mrs V. Jaipaul	10 00
„ B. Rao	2 00
„ D. Paul	2 00
„ Balaratnam	2 00
„ Karuna	2 00
„ Ceila Dharmaraj	10 00
Mr. A G. P. Devasigamoni, Sec.	10 00
Mrs. D. R. Solomon, Secunderabad	10 00
Mr. A. S. Edwin, Visakapatnam L.M. Church N.M S. Sunday	51 00
	127 00

Outside India

Mr. & Mrs. Outlow, England	50 00
	50 00

Birthday

Mr. A. A. Moses, Trichy	1 00
Mrs. G. Solomon, Madras	10 00
	11 00

Life Membership

Mrs. J. A. Roberts, Calcutta	25 00
1st instaiment	
	25 00

Special Receipts

Treasurer, Dindugul branch towards Bihar work	250 00
Treasurer Madurai branch scholarship help to Abraham's son	40 00
Thro' Mrs. A. Dorairaj, for Jawdhi Hostel	162 00
Mr. J. P. Ashwal, Bombay area committee towards the executive committee expense	100 00
	552 00

Field Receipts

Jawadhi Hills	25 25
Ishapanthy ashram	28 00
Bageshwar	5 00
Muddebihal	24 75

Thro' Jayasingh, O. S.

Mr. S. R. Daniel, Madurai	5 00
Mrs. Evelyn Santhosam	5 00
Mr. & Mrs. W. Solomon	10 00
Mr. D. P. Jeyaraj	5 00
Mr. & Mrs. Jeyaseelan	10 00
„ „ Godwin Sunder	30 00
Rev. Jayasingh	10 00
Mrs. Fred Stephen	5 00
	163 00

ERRATA

In July 1973 issue Page 10 under Uttar Pradesh Collection against Dr. Mrs. I. M. ABRAHAM Read Rs. 100 00 instead of Rs. 1 00.

THE NATIONAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIA

General Fund Receipts and Payments Account

RECEIPTS

Opening Balance as on 1—4—72			
Cash in hand	799	96	
Cash at Bank	15,346	94	
			16,146 90
Imprest Cash as on 1—4—72			1,360 00
Amount realised on Fixed Deposit with Tamilnadu Industrial Development Corporation, Madras			12,500 00
Receipts as area wise			1,12,615 11
Special Receipts			56,232 34
Life Membership fees			2,351 00
Amount realised towards co-ordination conference			1,000 00
Loan Recoveries			1,485 00
PROVIDENT FUND RECEIPTS			
Employees Contribution	1,275	51	
Society's Contribution	1,275	51	
P. F. Loan Recoveries	360	00	
			2,911 02
Amount transferred from Special fund account			6,962 08
Total			2,13,563 45

Sd.....

K. G. S. DORAIRAJ

General Secretary

MADRAS—600 014*for the year ended 31st March, 1973***EXPENSES**

Salary and allowances for the workers		92,332	40
Area Committees		2,268	59
N.M I. & Deepikai Printing		7,815	25
Committee & Conferences		1,321	49
Gospel team expenses		2,222	94
Audit fees		300	00
Affiliation fees		612	00
Printing General		1,253	69
N. M. S. Sunday Printing		704	10
Urbanland tax		1,406	00
Legal Expenses		1,100	00
Bank Charges		197	60
Ankola Agar Fund Interest		1,787	50
Amount transferred to Special account		57,069	80
Fixed Deposit with Indian Bank, Madras		13,500	00
Special Expenditure		10,056	23
Loans and Advances		3,025	00
Imprest cash		960	00
P. F. PAYMENTS			
Amount to Trichy Diocese	442	50	
Amount to K. K. Diocese	816	00	
Public P. F. Account	1,652	52	
		2,911	02
Cash on Hand as on 31—3—73	1334	10	
Cash in current account with State Bank of India	11385	74	
		12,719	84
Total		2,13,563	45

Sd.....

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Dr. G. Devasahayam	10	00	„ G. Sobandhri	2	00
Rev. B. R. Devapriam	5	00	„ B. H. Suez Truman	5	00
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„ C. Rajaratnam	1	00	„ Ch. R. Nathaniel	3	00
„ K. Shadrach	2	00	„ P. Samuel	2	00
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„ K. P. Sanjeeva Rao	3	00	Dr. Z. T. Pandian	5	00
„ P. Ananda Rao	1	00			
„ B. Bhanumurthy	2	00		5	00
„ S. K. Bhaskar Rao	5	00			
„ A. Deevaniah	2	00	Field Receipts		
„ Emmanuel	1	00	Jawadhi Hills	27	75
„ James David	1	00	Ishapanthy Ashram	33	00
„ Z. John Prabhudas	2	00	Muddebihal	19	85
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„ S. P. Vidyasagar	2	00	Bihar work	250	00
„ A. Alfred	2	00	Anonymous, Tirupattur	1000	00
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MESSAGE

When they walk through the valley of weeping
it will become a place of springs where pools
of blessings and refreshment collect after the
rains. (Psalms 84:6)

This Psalm takes us back to the period when the TEMPLE at Jerusalem had been completed and the pilgrimage of the Israelites to the Holy City began. The hope and the prophecies of centuries had been fulfilled. The joy of the Israelites to set off for the pilgrimage to Jerusalem can be better imagined than described.

This Psalm in its application to us, who are pilgrims to eternity, has a message. One of the tests of our Christian life lies in this, that, whatever our experience in this world, we are happy in our day-to-day lives, whether there is a song or a sigh in our lips. Life has its problems and imperfect, as we are, with our imperfect surroundings and back-ground, to expect a goal of "sugar and spice and all things nice" is impossible. It is the manner of our traveling that is vital.

Robert Browning (in Rabbi Ben Ezra) when he writes :

"For thence (our life)-a paradox,
Which comforts while it mocks.
Shall life succeed in that it seems to fail ?
What I aspired to be,
And was not, comforts me.

has touched the vital string in our lives. It is not so much our outward forces but our inward resources, that are responsible for our sorrows and joys.

The life of Joseph, son of Patriarch Jacob, to take an instance, amply illustrates the above truth. He underwent a series of trials, all for no fault of his own. How was he responsible for the discriminating love which his father bestowed on him ? This resulted

in the diabolical envy and jealousy in his brothers. Further more, he was thrown into a well, sold as a slave, tempted at Potiphar's palace, thrown into a prison, and lastly betrayed by the chief butler. What more can happen to a man to make him a cynic and an atheist? The crux of the matter in the life of Joseph was "The Lord was with him" Genesis 39, verses 2, 3, 21 and 23. That was the key to his life. The dictum "All things work together for good who love God". (Romans 8:28) was the running commentary in the life of Joseph.

The life of Saint Paul is another illuminating instance of a life swayed by internal resources and not by outward forces. In II Cor. 11:23-27, he narrates a catalogue of his unenviable experiences as a follower of Christ preaching the Gospel, ever since he received his commission on the Damascus road. Yet there is no sigh in his lips, but on the other hand he states that he enjoyed the experience of a visit to the third heaven, II Corin. 12:2, and looked forward to being crowned after his earthly life (II Timothy 4, 7 & 8)

The demand and call of all Christians today in India, is not a slogan but a supreme challenge and in which there is no cause for a sigh of sorrow.

Rev. Dr. Neale in spite of his continued trials and misfortunes in life, he elevates us to a different sphere when he sang (songs and Solos 401)

Finding, following, keeping, struggling,

Is "He sure to bless".

Angels, Martyrs: Prophets, Virgins

Answer "Yes".

E. P. G.



Great Hymns and their authors No. 8.

"Art thou weary, art thou languid" Songs and Solos 401

"Jerusalem the Golden" Songs and Solos 217

The Rev. John Neale M. A., D. D., 1818-1866

Dr. Neale was born in 1818 as the son of an Anglican clergyman in LONDON. He gave, early in his life signs of his talents and came out as a brilliant student of the Trinity College, University of Cambridge. He won eleven times the coveted Seatonian prize for sacred poetry. Though secular callings offered him good chances of a promising life, he turned to religion and was called to

the ministry. As ill luck would have it, by his views in the great Oxford movement of 1844, he lost his chances to get high church posts. Dogged by poor health, (probably consumption) he went on a trip to Madeira in Spain. Even after his convalescence he had to refuse influential posts on account of his illness and finally at an early age of 48, he died. He was a linguist and knew twenty languages. He authored several books on church history, and church architecture. He translated many hymns from Latin and Greek and wrote several hymns of his own. His life was an illuminating example of a life that was renewed again and again by internal resources and not cowed down by external forces. His faith was firmly fixed on Christ and he lived with the assurance.

If I still hold closely to Him,
What hath He at last?
Sorrow vanquished, labour ended,
Jordan passed.

E. P. G.

Christ's witness in India

(By Rev. P. J. Thomas, Krupa Nivas Perumbavoor, Kerala)

6—William Carey.

One feels like opening this article by recalling the fact that the N.M.S. owes a debt of gratitude to the subject of this brief biographical essay. It was from William Carey that the Society, like so many others, has borrowed the inspiring motto and watch-word "Expect great things from God, attempt great things for God." Further, it was at Serampore, the place made sacred by the life and labours of William Carey, that the leaders of the Indian Church held that historic meeting which gave birth to the National Missionary Society of India. Carey did in a deep manner prepared the ground for the formation of this only indigenous, interdenominational, missionary Society of India

William Carey, was by far the greatest of the foreign missionaries who ever set foot on the Indian sub-continent. He was the first British missionary. But, when he came to India, he did not have the spirit or the vision to do anything towards the religious life of the people here. They played safe by keeping away from interfering in the spiritual affairs of the conquered race. In a way, it is a remarkable fact as it will serve, as an eye-opener, to those who are still prone to think that Christianity came or grew in India on

account of the British Government. The fact of the matter is, that the first English Missionary had to travel in a Danish Sailing vessel because he was refused a ticket in the ships of the British. Even after arrival, Carey although he tried to start work in that part of Bengal, which was under the Company, he had to take refuge in a Danish Settlement. It was Col. Bie, the Danish Governor, and the Danish Captain Wiles, who gave encouragement and help to the Missionaries.

In studying the life and activities of William Carey and his comrades, fortunately there is no dearth of materials. First and foremost there is the classic biography by George Smith. Much later a great grand son of the hero-Samuel Pearce Carey-has written a more intimate and detailed account of the man. Still another is entitled William Carey, Missionary Pioneer and Statesman by F.D. Walder. The story of Carey's life is told for the young people by David Kayles and has the title : "Two Ends of a Rope, "the story of William Carey Shoe-maker and Apostle." Dr. D. A. Oussorem has to his credit the version with the caption : "William Carey, especially his Missionary Principles." Last but in no way least there is the tiny booklet by Rev.the Dr.C.E. Abraham with the pointed titled "William Carey and the Indian Church". Just one sentence from that essay will reveal the quality and scope of the treatment: "Carey's stature has grown with the years and he is now universally recognized as a giant among men, a prince among missionaries, the father of modern missions, in very truth, a man-sent from God.

(To be continued)

N. M. S. Field Reports

Jamnamarathur : Rev. D. Elias writes

Christmas was celebrated in all stations. More than 600 children were given prizes. Old clothes received from friends in Tanjore, Madras and O.C.P.M. School, Madurai, were distributed. We are deeply grateful to the givers and also to the Bombay friends through Mr. J P. Ashwal, for their regular Christmas contributions.

Recently, the wife of a Nattan (village headman) came to the hospital with a skin complaint. Though she was recommended to go to a hospital, she had such a faith in Christ that she hoped to be cured by prayer. One man from Veerapanur who is a drunkard came to us. He was convinced of his bad life and cried "Oh Jesus save me from my poor condition". Prayers are requested for these people.

Oomayanputhur : Mr. K. R. Williams writes

Men and women are coming in large numbers, but they are suspicious about our motives. Prayers are requested for the spread of the Gospel work and for dispelling of their fears.

AT Karupanankoolai a certain woman visited us. She had no children after 6 years of married life. When she was told about the story of Hannah (1 Samuel) she decided to pray to God. Friends are requested to remember her in their daily prayers.

Nadannr Mr. Gnanamuthu writes

One Kuppuswamy of Panaimarathur, came to us and is enquiring about our Gospel. Prayers are requested for him. In the village of Mita Nattur, another enquirer Mr. Ramaswamy, has secretly accepted Christ and he says that he is praying morning and evening. He also gave Rs. 10/- for the purchase of a bible. Prayers are requested for [this enquirer.

On 19th Dec., Christmas was celebrated with children singing and reciting the stories of Christ. Clothing was distributed and two services were conducted on Christmas day and New years day. Food was also served. Two persons, Chellappan and Annamalai, have come forward boldly and are witnessing for Christ. I am giving them further instruction in the Bible. Members are requested to pray for him.

Muddebihal : Bhasme reports

I went round Jattagi with Mr. K. V. Kulkarni and distributed tracts. We also called on Shri Nagappa Mutt and studied the word of God and prayed. We visited five villages round about Jattagi and distributed tracts. We had opposition in two places. In Muddebihal some college students were not friendly. However, with faith in God I am having discussion with them about the stories in the Bible. Last week two college students came to me and I gave them a New Testament. Both are very anxious to know about Christ. Prayers are requested for these young men.

Bombay : Mr. J. P. Ashwal organising Secretary of Western India, writes,

The annual meeting of the Bombay City N.M.S. Area Committee was held and the report was presental for the year 1972-73. Out of 13 branches 10 are among Kannada Christians, 2 are among Maharashtrian Christians and one is among the Telugu Christians. I may mention that Chembur branch has shown zeal and good progress in their activities, namely, conducting prayer fellowship meetings and raising monthly collections. As the convenor in

Kurla tendered his resignation, I had to convene a meeting, and a new Convenor, Mr. Behtuel Maben was appointed. In Andheri branch, as the convenor could not take up his responsibilities, with his consent, I entrusted this work to Mr. S. O. Kaekada, who is at present an elder of the Sushanti Church. The work in Kalvan, Bandra and Borivili branches slowed down. Ambernath is alive which is evidenced by the fact that the volunteers gather together for a prayer fellowship once in a month and discuss about their problems, collections etc. There is not much to report about other branches but work is rather steady. The question of expanding branches among Maharashtrian Christians, has been engaging our attention. Shortly, we are going to approach the respective Church authorities to find ways and means to increase our collection. I have to mention that there are branches with committees which have not met even once a year. The convenors of these branches would do well to take up this question with the volunteers. I take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers for taking pains in visiting families for collection work. They are the mainstay of our branches. The branches exist because of them. The total No. of volunteers at the end of the year under review was 52. The following are the names of new volunteers: M/s. Stanley Soans, J. W. David, Mohan Fernandez. The number of those who ceased to be volunteers is two. Our thanks are due to them for their service in the past.

PRAYER FELLOWSHIP: 5 branches Viz. Kurla, Vikhroli, Chembur, Bandra, and Borivili have been conducting Prayer Fellowship meetings. There was a good response to the call of prayer from the Churches and Christian Institutions. The following Churches and Institutions observed the N.M.S. Sunday and sent their donations: Wesley Church, Bowen Memorial Church, St. Andrews Church, Pahathor Memorial Marathi Church, Methodist Kanarese Central Church, Methodist Marathi Central Church, Methodist Telugu Church, Worli Kanada Church, Basel Mission Churches and Methodist Tamil Churches. All Basel Mission Prayer Unions and Sunday Schools, also Kannada Badavara Sangha, Doreas Society Chembur and Karnataka Church.

N.M.S. Bombay Gift Scheme :

As usual, we sent an amount of Rs. 130/- to children at Jawadi Hills and Rs. 25/- to Muddabihal children as gift towards Christmas celebrations. We also sent bundles of old and new clothes to both the centres. This was made possible through individual donations both in kind and in cash.

MISSIONARY AID FUND: The fund had been growing. Out of this fund, which was mainly raised from Kannada Christians of South Kanara, a worker, Mr. Franklin Bhasme, is being maintained.

His work involves in making personal contacts, distribution of gospel tracts, conducting children's meetings and gospel meetings at Bidarakundi and Kavadimatti. There are a few enquirers as per his report. Muddebihal, Sindagi and Indi lie on the eastern border of Bijapur district. They are backward areas in Missionary enterprise. Our Area Secretary visited this centre twice, once with the General Secretary. We were confronted with the problem as to how to hold missionary aid fund. In view of Government's regulations, our auditors advised us to bring this fund under a registered body. This subject was under active consideration and it was thought necessary to keep, as endowment all the money in excess of Rs. 3000/- with the N.M.S. Head quarters. So an ad hoc committee was formed to draft a constitution and to carry out the formalities in respect of the fund. In consultation with the Headquarters at Madras, an amount of Rs. 15,000/- was sent to them to be kept as endowment with necessary instructions.

SILVER JUBILEE AND ANNUAL GET TOGETHER: These were celebrated on 26-1-1973. It was a grand success. Though the President of Bombay City Area Committee could not be present, the Rev. K.G S. Dorairaj, the General Secretary, was present on the occasion. The Get Together and the Silver Jubilee functions were presided over by the Rev. Justin Harris and Mr.A.R. Sasane respectively. A Silver Jubilee souvenir was brought out.

Vote of Thanks: Once again I thank all convenors, volunteers, supporters and friends, associate secretaries, and those who helped us in typing and in cyclostyling work. Our thanks are also due to our Hon. Auditors M/s. B. Sathyavvratha and A. O Kunder, and our Chairman, Mr. A.C. Furtado, and also the authorities of the Vikh-rol-i'Prayer Hall for giving us the Prayer Hall for our use.

Bageswar : Mr. B. Singh reports,

My wife and I worked in the preaching team which came from Almora on 13-1-74. The team was led by the district Superintendent Mr. H. D. Singh. The work suffered a lot due to heavy rain and bad weaether. Still hundreds of people received God's messages though some tried to disturb the work.

Nebogram Mr. P. R. Gupta writes :

Visited Kurichigai and Basudevypur and met several enquirers and M/s. Goverdan Mandol and Chakrabarthy. The Area committee is arranging everything in order to baptise all enquirers by the middle of Feb. 1974, Always news is coming from new enquirers.

Dabra Gwalior: Rev. Edwin Sherring writes

Mr. John Thomas, Mr. Solomon and I went to Babina and visited all families in their homes. The adhoc Committee of Babina and the Rev. D. A. Sampson requested me to conduct midnight service on 24th and in the morning I went to Dabra and Datia for church service where songs in Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, Hindi and English were sung.

Bharatpur: The Rev. S. C. P. Tyagi writes

During the last few weeks many contacts were made through five Christian Public functions between 21st to 26th Dec. 1973, Hindu Priests court officials, Political leaders and others. The local Christians gave good co-operation. I sold fifty Bibles, 149 N. T. and 1000 Gospel portions.

An Appeal to Christians for Consideration and Action

Puri (Orissa)

Puri is one of the important Hindu pilgrim centres, having the famous Jaganath Temple, with a host of satellite temples, drawing millions of pilgrims from every part of the country, all through the year and particularly more during the Car Festival. It is also the seat of the famous Sankarachariar of Puri who leads the anti Cow-Slaughter Movement.

In spite of the fanatic opposition by the Pandas, (priests) and the State Legislation against conversion, the Gospel has worked its way through the N M.S. and won souls for Christ. We have a model congregation here. Praise the Lord,

In such a centre there is a Baptist Mission building in a strategic place built against opposition, which was used for Library work to contact the pilgrims and the intelligentsia. It also served as the Gospel centre.

The building was in a dangerously bad state of repairs. So, the valuable work had to be suspended. The repair estimate is Rs. 7500/- and towards that

The diocese of Cuttack has contributed	Rs. 3000/-
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The N.M.S. contribution is	Rs. 1000/-
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The local N.M.S. branch	Rs. 500/-
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Letter from the N.M.S. organising Secretary for South India

Dear Friends,

Greetings in the sweet name of Jesus who has commanded us to preach the good tidings. I thank God that He has enabled me to go forward inspite of all the limitations. He is beyond the human limitations.

The work in 1974, was started having a three days meetings at the C. S. I. Church at Nazareth under the leadership of the Rev. M. D. Rajamani. The main speakers were, Mr. Baktan Theophilus and Mr. Jason Selvakumar, who are doing their B.D. at the Theological seminary activities.

The meeting reached its climax having heard directly from Mrs. & Mr. V. T. Abraham, who are the N.M.S. evangelists in Nepal. All the local friends co-operated with Mr. Y. Packiamani and Mr. Samuel in their efforts.

The tour in Kerala was started on the 12th January and continued till the 10th February 1974. The following places were visited and meetings were conducted as arranged by the local Presbyters of the Churches and friends (viz) Ranny, Neeratukavu, Paymaruthi, Cochin, Ernakulam, Kalamasery, Ambalamedu and Gnakknal. The N.M.S. is indebted to the Presbyters of C.S.I. Marthoma Evangelical Churches, Prayer fellowships and friends for their help and support.

The N.M.S. Missionary to Nepal Mr. V. T. Abraham was with me in the deputation work. The Christians in Kerala are eager to know more about the N.M.S and its activities. They have pledged their support to the Missionary cause of N.M.S.

Please pray that the contacts made in Kerala may bring forth much fruit.

On behalf of the N.M.S. I am grateful to the Bishop Rt. Rev. T. B. Benjamin for making the necessary arrangements for our visit to Cochin and Ernakulam areas.

Kindly continue to lift me to the throne of grace in your daily prayers.

Thanking you,
Yours in His name,
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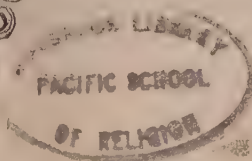
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THE FOUR WHO BORE THE CROSS

<i>The unpenitent thief</i>	<i>Luke 23-39</i>	Cross of shame ending in suffering
<i>The repented thief</i>	<i>Luke 23:40-43</i>	Cross of shame resulting in Salvation
<i>Simon of Cyrene</i>	<i>Luke 23-26</i>	Cross of shame rendering service
<i>Christ Jesus</i>	<i>Luke 23 : 33</i>	Cross teaching supreme self sacrifice, granting salvation

1. The cross of the first person was a cross of unrelieved gloom. He did everything wrong and blamed every body including Christ, for not saving Himself and him. No change of heart, no confession. His cross had no light in it. Some bear that kind of cross to the very end. In the words of R. L. Stevenson "They are born crying, live complaining and die weeping." They reap what they sow and still they murmur.

2. The second thief also reviled at Jesus Math. 27 : 44 but he rallied round. Beyond the shame of the cross, he saw Jesus as a King. Luke 23 : 42. There was a confession followed by a cogitation. His cross had a light in it. It lifted him. The cross that opened in gloom ended in gladness. He thus became the first preacher and witness in the passion week. In all his agony he could not help witnessing for Christ. He is an example for us all—that whatever our condition in life, if there is a bubbling experience of joy of salvation in us, we can still be witnesses. The life of St. Paul is an example.

3. The cross of Simon of Cyrene. He was compelled to bear the cross. It was an undeserved cross—a cross that came by chance in company with a crowd. He did not know Jesus before, but still he co-operated with Christ in His sufferings, without grumbling and

thus did a service, and Jesus would have thanked him. Life sometimes does so with us—the cross of Christ and of the Church lays hold on us and we are compelled to shoulder difficulties for others. We must consider such occasions as a pleasure and a privilege. On his return home in Cyrene, Simon would have narrated his experience to his sons Alexandar and Rufus. Mark 15:21. By this witness the sons were converted and reaching Jerusalem they became pillars of the early church Acts 4:6, 19:33, Romans 16:13 St. Paul calls Mrs. Simon as his mother. Let us bear the cross with Jesus and there will be a change. It is not suffering that counts but what ennobles is the way it is borne.

4. The last cross was that of Jesus Christ. His was a chosen cross. He put Himself in such deep contact with men that cross became inevitable. Since life led in a christian way is bound to give you a cross, it is better to anticipate it, and through it to lift others.

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Rev. Sabine Baring—Gould M.A., 1834-1924.

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REPORTS FROM THE N.M.S. FIELDS

BHARATPUR : The Rev. S. C. P. Tyagi Writes :

By the grace of God intensive evangelistic Christian public meetings were held during the Christmas week in which many non-christians attended.

Dec. 20th In Birla wagon factory colony.

Dec. 21st Bharatpur primary School. Miss G. David spoke on the occasion.

Dec. 22nd Railway colony field-Rev. Daleepsingh gave a message and Mr. Chidda gave a party.

Dec. 23rd A village Kamaba 7 miles away-Rev. Daleepsingh M/s. Paul Davan and T. P. Joshi spoke.

Dec, 24th A village Erran 9 miles away-Rev. Daleepsingh and Mr. Joshi spoke.

There was a good response and the local people co-operated. The members of the N.M.S. branch met on 3rd Feb. 1974 at the residence of Sister S. S. David, Mr. Smart presided. The members met and resolved to do evangelistic work, campaign work and collection work intensively. It was resolved to conduct an Easter sale,

PURI : Rev. Paul Sanjeevi Writes :

On the Sivarathri day, there was a festival at Lokanath Temple near our Ashram, at which 50,000 people gathered. Preaching work was conducted by the local Baptist church in which I also joined. 5000 tracts were circulated and nearly 300 Gospels and N. T. portions were sold. Rev. K. G. S. Dorai Raj visited Puri on 31st Jan. 1974 and he gave inspiring messages. The General Secretary and I visited Uppada in Andhra Pradesh and visited the church founded by Mr. K. Chinna, one of the members of the Pentacottah church. Twenty families attended the church and if a worker is posted there, the work will increase. The General Secretary and I, visited Cuttack where also we spoke to members. N.M.S. friends are requested to pray for the work.

MALLIGACHI : (West Bengal) Mr. P. R. Gupta Writes :

I joined the local festival Sankaranth Mela and distributed 50 tracts. Toured to Kurigachi and Bhandarpur and interviewed M/s. Chakarabarthi and Mandol, who are enquirers. I visited also Kalinagar and interviewed a Muslim brother, who is also an enquirer. Besides the above enquirers there are new enquirers, M/s. Gokul Paramanik and Chanchal Karadoss. Friends are requested to pray for the enquirers.

MUDDEBIHAL : Mr. F. Bhasme writes :

I conducted personal evangelism by visiting Davagali, Bisapur Hittanhal, Bidar Kundi, Hartmural and Kavaraimatti. Conducted prayer meetings where possible. House visiting also was done and prayer meetings were conducted.

BOMBAY : Mr. J. P. Ashwal (Organising Secretary of West India) Writes :

N. M. S. workers meeting was conducted at Vikhroli. Prayer meetings were held at Mohili at Thana, Bhundup, Vikhroli and Kurla. Film shows were conducted at Thana, Ambarnath, Ashelphi, I toured Ahamadnagar and South Kanara and visited Udipi, Malpe, Udyavara, Manipal, Bailur Moodbidri, Mangalore on N.M.S. work.

BIHAR—DHANBAD : Mr. John Thomas Writes :

During the past four months I had a terrible time on account of the terrible cold. Hundreds of people died. God saved me. I also had an attack of chicken pox, but fortunately I recovered. I am grateful to Rev. and Mrs. Samson and Mr. & Mrs. David who looked after me with care and affection during my illness. I contacted through Mr. A. B. David one Mr. Rangith Kumar Sil, a Hindu seeker of truth. He hails from Bengal. I gave him a copy of the New Testament and a copy of a book called "The man whom you cannot ignore" I request friends to pray for him. There are some changes in Mr. Francis whom I met sometime ago and I will be visiting some nearby places showing slides also.

BAGESWAR U. P. : Mr. Bachee Singh writes :

I attended a local fair and distributed tracts and sold 60 Gospel portions. The weather on 13th and 14th Jan. was very bad. On Sundays I conduct services. I visited also Baignath, Ganai, Kap-

pali Road, Dunda Road and distributed tracts. I visit also-shop-keepers and tell them about the Gospel. During the month I contacted two college teachers and visited the houses of Christians and non-Christians. I visited the Harijan Mohalah and distributed pamphlets, there. One young man during my preaching snatched away tracts from my hands, abused me and threw away the tracts over the crowd and disappeared. I controlled myself and God guided me. Friends are requested to pray for him.

MADHYA PREDESH : Mr. Paulsingh (Organising Secretary of N. India) writes :

Attended to correspondence work and sent contribution appeals to 85 friends. Spoke about N.M.S. Itarsi, Friends Church. I contacted people in Ratin Church and Muthiganj for N.M.S. support.

BABINA : Rev. E. Sherring writes :

I conducted evangelistic work at Dabra, Datia areas and church services at Jhansi, Dabra, Datia and Babina. I gave communion to Rampur people. Did evangelistic work at Dabra Bus-stand, Bharvasagar Bus-stand, visited many villages and contacted Mr. R. R. Bhatt, an old enquirer.

The co-ordination Conference of The Indigenous Missionary Societies and Missions connected with the Church.

Under the auspices of the N.M.S. the "Co-ordination" conference was held at the N.M.S. Headquarter, from 22nd to 24th noon March, 1974. Eighteen members representing various indigenous mission bodies and the missions connected with the church attended the conference. Thanks to God!. Though the conference was held for the first time it was a successful one in revealing the desire for co-operation among all to fulfill the common mission of proclaiming the Gospel by word and deed, in India and the surrounding countries.

The oneness of mind to have a co-ordinated plan of evangelisation was revealed and it was decided to continue the same by annual conferences. The detailed report will occur in the next issue.

So, we thank all praying friends who have been praying for this conference. Every one expressed a concern in the missionary task and with open heart discussed the problems. Thanks to all the participants. We trust and pray next year all the missions working in India will participate.

(Rev. K. G. S. Dorairaj)

General Secretary.

Obituary

Mrs. L. Pithavadian

We regret to inform the demise of Mrs. L. Pithavadian, one of our long standing supporters. We pray that God may grant the grieved family the needed consolation and eternal joy to the departed soul.

Mrs. Hephzibah Fenn George

We regret to inform our readers that Mrs. Fenn George, President of the N.M.S. Ladies Missionary Auxiliary, Nagercoil, passed away on 13th March, 1974. Nagercoil Ladies Missionary Auxiliary is one of the long standing branches of the N M.S. which continues to have officers, who had kept up undiminished interest in the missionary activities of the N.M.S. Mrs. Fenn George succeeded her mother as the President and continued to be the president till she breathed her last. So, we pray that God may grant her eternal joy of His fellowship and consolation to the grieved family.

Subscriptions Received for the Month of February, 1974

	Rs.	P.		
Uttar Pradesh			Mr. Samuel, Banerjea	20 00
The Treasurer, Diocese of Lucknow, U.P.	200	00	Thro' Mr. J. K. Das	
Thro' Mr. J. Das, Kanpur branch collections	50	00	Pentonsahi samaj contribution	27 00
Thro' Rev. Paul Das, Allahabad branch collection	85	50	Mrs. M. Rao, Cuttack	30 00
Mr. G. W. Farmer, Mirzapur	5	00		
„ A. G. Emile, Allahabad	100	00		845 64
„ R. K. B. Gill	5	00	Rajasthan	
„ G. N. Singh, Lucknow	25	00	<i>Treasurer, N.M.S. Branch</i>	
Mrs. T. P. Arthur	15	00	Mr. Patrick Emmanuel	15 00
Miss E. D. Lawrence, Azamgarh	20	00	Mrs. E. Harrison	10 00
Mr. W. Wesley, Azamgarh	50	00	„ C. I. Alexander	10 00
			Miss S. S. David	10 00
	555	50	„ G. David	10 00
			„ Sunderbai	10 00
			„ Simon	10 00
Delhi			Mr. T. V. Judson	10 00
The Treasurer, Diocese of Delhi	200	00	Rev. S. C. P. Tyagi	10 00
Thro' Mr. Francis Pershad, Delhi branch	1240	00	Mrs. Kamala Tyagi	5 00
Mr. B. C. Ghose	7	00	Mr. W. K. Green, Bharatpur	12 00
Rev. K. Masih	12	00		
				112 00
	1459	00	Maharashtra	
			Treasurer, U. B. M. Bombay-8	350 00
Assam			Mr. R. Sathyavrata	30 00
Mr. Sam John	50	00	„ V. S. Meshramkar	25 00
			„ A. N. George	30 00
	50	00	Mrs. M. Krishnayya towards Co-ordination conference	25 00
				460 00
Orissa			Gujarat	
Thro' Rev. K.G.S. Dorairaj			Rev. I. V. Master Baroda	10 00
Ashram Service collection	7	25		
Pentakottah congregation	87	89		10 00
Pentakottah N.M.S. branch collection	143	00	Madhya Pradesh	
Mr. John Apparao	52	00	Thro' Rev. Edwin Sherring	
„ K. Chinna Uppada	68	50	collections	31 00
Garden Income	60	00	Dr. A. M. Daniel, Durg	80 00
V. Kirbamma	40	00	Mrs. Z. P. Masih	10 00
Mr. A. Lukaraj	5	00		
K. Kondamma	5	00		
Thro' Mr. J. K. Das collection	300	00		

Thro' Mrs. K. Samson

Mr. A. Ram	1	00
„ V. Lal	1	00
„ Bhagirah	1	00
„ K. Sheriyo	1	00
„ Robinson	1	00
„ S. Lall	1	00
„ E. Victor	1	00
„ S. Jacob	1	00
„ G. Matthews	4	00
„ C. Doss	1	00
„ John	1	00
„ Jain	1	00
„ John Selyo	1	00
„ T. Lall	1	00
„ Kerision	5	00
„ Michael	1	00
„ K. Singh	1	00
Mrs. S. Edwards	1	00
„ A. Singh	1	00
„ T. Paul Singh	3	00
Gulzar Masih	1	00
Mr. Ajeet Masih	1	00
„ Premdas	0	25
„ A. Joshua	1	00
„ M. C. Karba	1	00
„ K. Samson	1	00
Monthly meeting	5	00
	160	25

Kerala

Thro' Miss A. Thomas		
Calicut	64	00
Thro' Mr. A. Wilson		
Treasurer, Munnar branch	370	00
Thro' Rev. Godwin,		
Kattakada	58	00
Mr. J. Robinson Crusoe,		
Kerala	10	00
Mr. C. P. Munnusamy,		
Quilon	50	00
Dr. G. Thomas, Kottayam	200	00
„ P. O. Matthew	30	00
Rev. Henry J. Otten, Calicut	100	00
Mr. Marshall	5	00
Mrs. S. Daniel	10	00
Mr. M. Cherian	10	00
Rev. K. S. George	5	00
	912	00

Mysore

Treasurer, South Kanara		
and Coorg Diocese	872	94
Rev. P. J. Thomas, Honavur	10	00
Mr. P. Samuel	5	00
	887	94

Madras City

The Headmistress, Bains		
School, Kilpauk	64	50
The Treasurer, Kodambakkam		
C.S.I. Pastorate	50	00
Thro' Mr. P. C. Matthew,		
George Town	16	00
Thro' Mr. E. A. Pitchaipillai,		
Ayanavaram	142	50
Thro' Mr. J. F. Devaraj,		
Adyar	50	00
Thro' Mr. E. Paul		
Gnanabaranam	491	00
Thro' Mr. D. S. Dharmaraj	239	00
Thro' R. Joseph	146	00
Thro' Mrs. A. Dorairaj	322	50
Thro' Mr. D. Monsingh	43	75
Thro' Mrs. Stella Moses	90	00
Thro' Mr. J. F. Jayevelu,		
Perambur	35	50
Thro' Mr. Alfred Vetharaj,		
Vepery	38	00
Thro' Mr. S. S. Samuel,		
Kilpauk	140	00
Mr. T. Ambrose Jayasekaran,		
Madras-45	5	00
Mr. E. Lazarus, Madras-23	2	00
„ W. Prakash, Madras-83	2	00
Mrs. K. David	6	00
Dr. Jayapaul Azariah,		
Madras-7	10	00
Mrs. Pushpam Chelliah	5	00
Mr. J. N. Williams	12	00
„ J. D. Vedamanickam	5	00
„ Victor Emmanuel	10	00
Mrs. G. Kamalaratnam	25	00
Pastor J. Prentice	12	00
Dr. Ebenezer Moses,		
Madras-7	11	00
Rev. C. S. John, Madras-7	5	00
Mr. J. M. Julius, Madras-7	12	00
„ T. K. Thomas, Madras-7	10	00
„ J. S. Kadirvelu,		
Madras-7	10	00
Dr. J. P. Thomas	10	00
Rev. & Mrs. John	35	00
	2055	75

Prayer Meeting collections

Mr. Franklin, Nungambakkam	27	50
Mr. Michel, Head master St. Pauls High School	13	00
Mr. George Balasingh, Kilpauk	7	85
	48	35

Bihar

Mr. D. A. Sigamoney Jamshedpur	20	00
Mr. W. Williamson Motighil	10	00
	30	00

North Tamil Area

Treasurer, St. John's Church Fort, Vellore	225	00
Thro' Miss Arthur Salem Branch	95	00
Thro' Rt. Rev. Henry Lazarus Ashram School collections	30	00
Thro' Miss Ebenezer Ebenezer aided School, Katpadi	17	00
Thro' Mrs. Alexander Women Prayer fellowship, Vellore	100	00
Mr. P. V. Matthew, Conoor	5	00
Mrs. L. Johnson, Ranipet	5	00
Mr. Moses Lazarus, Vell	10	00
Sadhu A. N. Sircar Katpadi	25	00
Rev. A. Jothiratnam	5	00
„ K. J. Gnanasigamani	10	00
Mr. & Mrs. Henry Coimbatore	100	00
Mrs. I. Charles, Vellore	10	00
Mr. M. J. Sargunam Coimbatore	50	00
Mr. V. N. Daniel, Vellore	10	00
	697	00

South Tamil Area**Thro' The Treasurer, C.S.I.
K.K. Diocese**

Anandanadarkudy Church	5	00
Neyyoor Girls High School	30	00
Thittuvillai Church	10	00

Neyyoor Girls High School	30	00
Kottaram District	11	00
Neyyoor Church W.F.	20	00
The Treasurer, C.S.I. Madura and Ramnad Diocese	400	00
Thro' Miss P. Dharmaraj Meth. Girls High School, Woriyur	43	00
Thro' Mrs. H. Fenn George Ladies Auxiliary, Nagercoil	35	00
Thro' Mr. Y. Packiamoni Nazareth	100	00
Thro' Mr. Ponniah, Staff of Blakes High School, Thanjavur	38	25
Mr. C. J. Antony Pudukottai	3	00
Dr. Mrs. Monsingh, Trichy	10	00
Mr. D. P. Singaram, Trichy	10	00
Mrs. J. Samuel, Karur	5	00
Mr. G. H. Clarence, Cuddalore	10	00
Mrs. M. Devamirtham	6	00
Mr. S. Jesudasan, Karur	5	00
„ R. Georgeraj, Madurai	10	00
„ T. Thangappa, K.K. Dt.	5	00
Rev. A. Masilamoney	1	00
Mr. D. Yesughanadas,	1	00
Mrs. C. Daniel	1	00
Mr. P. Ratnam	5	00
„ R. Samuel, Tuticorin	10	00
Rev. S. V. Paul Jayaraj	5	00
Miss T. Koilpillai	25	00
Mrs. S. B. Newman	10	00
„ P. Thomas, Tuticorin	40	00
Mr. John Samuel, Ramnad	40	00
„ A. N. D. Navamani	15	00
„ J. G. David, Tuticorin	10	00
„ A. N. Schwartz, Tiruninravur	25	00
Miss C. L. Priscilla, Tindivanam	10	00
Mr. S. D. Gunasekaran, Tanjore	100	00
Mr. M. John Asirvatham	5	00
	1089	25

Andhra Pradesh

Mr. G. J. Thangaraj, Allur	5	00
„ A. G. P. Devasigamani, Secundrabad	20	00
Mrs. D. R. Solomon, Secundrabad	20	00
Mr. D. Rajaratnam, Hyderabad	100	00

A Friend, Nellore	100 00
Thro' Mrs. Celia Dharmaraj S.P.G. Primary School collection	16 00
Thro' Mrs. F. Baskarraj, Ammuguda collections	14 00
	275 00

Outside India

Mr. A. Cherian, Singapore	150 00
	150 00

Birthday Gifts

Miss Evangeline Kenneth Madras-14	2 00
Rev. Fredrick Samuel Tinnelvei	5 00
	7 00

Field Receipts

Jawadhi Hills	94 54
Ishapanthy Ashram	33 00
Bageswar	5 00
Dabra	3 00

*Thro' Rev. J. M. Jayasingh**T N. Org. Secretary*

Kum. Gnanajaya Shanthi	25 00
Mr. D. P. Amos, Vellore	5 00
Rev. Moses Israel	5 00
Mrs. R. Thomas	5 00
„ T. Koilammal	5 00
St. Johns Trg. and High School	19 00
Mr. N. I. Maman, Ranni	5 00
„ P. M. Eapen, Ranni	1 00
„ M. S. Abraham, Ranni	10 00
The Prayer Fellowship Chullikkal, Cochin	20 00
Women's Fellowship C.S.I. Kottukonam	10 00
The Treasurer, Union Ev. Committee, Ernakulam	50 00
The Womens Prayer fellowship Kanirvelpadi	10 00

The Prayer fellowship Chullikkal	12 00
Mr. M. P. Thomas, Udyoga mandal	5 00
Mr. K. C. Thomas	15 00
Rev. George Ninan	15 00
Immanuel Marthoma Church, Ranny	25 00
Mr. T. V. John, Ranny	25 00
„ C. M. Matthew, Ranny	10 00
„ J. Samraj, Cochin	2 00
„ V. T. George	10 00
„ M. D. Samuel	20 00
„ M. C. George	10 00
„ K. J. Varghese	5 00
„ P. M. Alexander	5 00
„ Matthew John	15 00
„ Stanley Jones	20 00
Mrs. Amnamma, Ranny	2 00
Mr. K. T. Abraham Ranny	2 00
„ A. J. Jacob George	5 00
„ K. E. Philip, Ranny	10 00
„ T. C. Matthew, Ranny	20 00
Miss Sujatha Nicholas	2 00
Mrs. Sosamma Abraham	2 00
Mrs. & Mr. K. Thomas, Ranny	25 00
C.M.S.U.P. School, Ranny	15 00
Mr. & Mrs. Joshua, Parsuvikkal	18 00
Rev. J. M. Jayasingh	10 00
	595 54

Special Receipts

The Treasurer, N.M.S. Dindigul Branch towards Bihar work	250 00
Thro' Mr. J. Mohan Doss Towards Andaman work	90 00
	340 00

Life Membership

Mrs. T. Dawson	100 00
Mr. H. M. Massey	100 00
Dr. Mrs. I. M. Abraham	100 00
	300 00

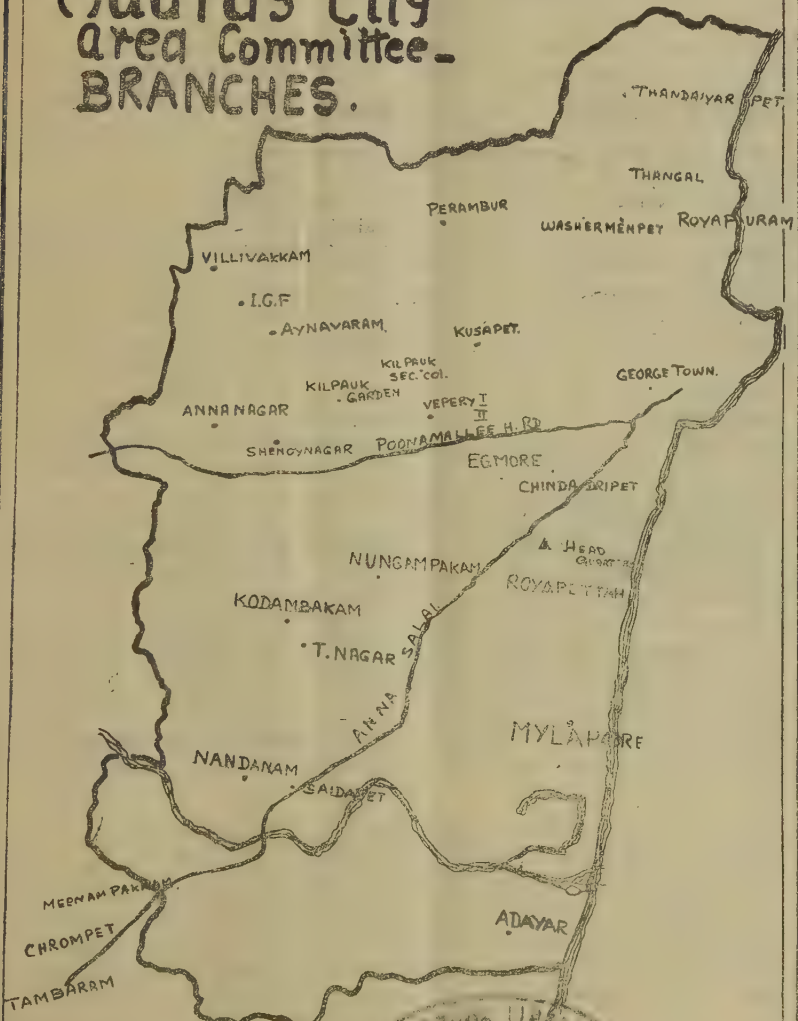
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MESSAGE

CHRIST IS RISEN

The graves of the founders of other religions, Confucius, Buddha, Islam, and Zoroaster, are still to be seen and are venerated as places of pilgrimage. But, there is no grave of Christ. Halleluia! The greatness, the glory of Christianity is not only in the miraculous birth, memorable teachings, and matchless life of Jesus, but it is climaxed by His death and resurrection. About the historicity there is no doubt; long before the gospel writers recorded it, St. Paul placed strong emphasis upon the resurrection and vouched for its veracity. Indeed, he said flatly, that if Christ had not been raised from the dead, Christian preaching is in vain and Christian faith is in vain. I Cor. 15-14. Subsequent gospel writers and others, contemporary historical writings, have placed beyond doubt the resurrection of Jesus.

That Christ is risen indeed, is evidenced in the history of the Church down the centuries, and in the lives of the Saints. In the Archeological discoveries in Babylon and elsewhere, relating to the periods before and after Christ, we find the difference in the hope and thoughts of the people. In the epitaphs of tombs relating to the pre-Christian era we find the following 'I paid my debt to nature and have departed' "I was, I am not, I know not, I do not care," "What I have eaten and what I have drunk that is all that belongs to me" As against these, we have epitaphs in the catacombs of the Rome "Thou wilt live in God" "Thou wilt live for ever" "May God refresh thy spirit" Even as late as the present century, it is recorded in the memoirs of Sir. Ernest Shackleton (1864-1922), the great Arctic explorer, who went with W. Worsley a party of three, they felt and experienced the presence of a fourth person in their voyage.

What is the effect and reaction of the resurrection of Christ in us of today? The resurrection stunned the soldiers, shocked the Pharisees, surprised the disciples, but does it stimulate and spur us to action and lead us for witnessing, or are we celebrating it as an annual festivity devoid of its holy significance in goading us to activities of surrendering ourselves, making known the risen Christ by the propagation of His gospel. The disciples of Emmaus, all

tired they were, after a long walk of three score furlongs were thrilled for running, at once, another journey of three score furlongs, back to Jerusalem, to witness the resurrection of Jesus.

The N.M.S. has a message this Easter to every Indian Christian. May this festival thrill us to action, for the glorification of His salvation and to our Lord's satisfaction.

E. P. G.

General Secretary's Letter

Dear Beloved in the Lord,

Greetings to you in the name of the resurrected Lord' who rose from the dead to be ever present with us. May the blessing of of the resurrection abide with you all.

This issue of the N.M.I. comes out as the special issue of the Madras City Area Committee and the following issues will be related to our other missionary centres.

Madras City Area Committee

I appreciate and congratulate the present Madras City Area committee on behalf of the N.M.S. of India for developing themselves into a 'spiritual fellowship' which is manifested in their regular well attended monthly meetings, officers' weekly fellowship meetings and in their earnest to help the society by arranging for prayer meetings and raising funds. They had a successful well attended one-day retreat as the culmination of the observance of the N.M.S. Prayer week, Every one appreciated the same. It also paved the way for closer fellowship between the I.M.S. and the N.M.S. They conducted a successful sale and a happy annual get-together function with which they started their annual membership campaign, which keeps up the strength of membership and their steady financial support to the society.

The Madras city Area committee raised highest ever collected for the year 1973-74. The total collection is Rs, 35,865/-. As the detail report of the activities of the area committee by its officers appears elsewhere, I need not repeat the same.

Under the leadership of Messrs. M. D. Selvaraj, (President) V. G. Williams (Secretary) and Colton Samuel (Hon: Treasurer) with all the Vice presidents and enthusiastic conveners, they form a good team with spiritual fellowship which is the reason for their success. Of course, Mr. Solomon is the live-wire behind them.

While congratulating them, I wish and pray that this fellowship may be strengthened and enlarged with increasing missionary activities by enlisting more members as supporters for the cause of our Lord. With this prayer, I release this Madras City area Committee Issue.

(Details of Madras City Area Committee Collection will be appended to the copies of the N.M.I. distributed within Madras City to avoid extra cost of printing; but a brief statement of their collection will appear in all copies.)

The Executive Committee's Recommendations

Formation of Area Committees.

It was recommended that all efforts should be made for the formation of area committees in all big cities. We are at it now. With the co-operation of the branches and individual members we should attempt to form an area committee in each state as a first step and then we will attempt for area committees in the cities.

During the year 1973-74, two area committees, one in North Tamil Nadu and the other in South Tamil Nadu, have been revived. The branch in the city of Madurai is fast developing itself into an area committee. During the short period of their revival, they had regional conferences, one day retreats with local services and they have raised,

North Tamil Nadu — Rs. 8750 92

South Tamil Nadu — Rs. 15,402 00

I congratulate them on their growth and success. We trust and pray that they will do more during the current year. By the grace of God we may be guided to form those branches and area committees during this year 74-75.

Birthday Project.

"I bless the holy name of my God with all my heart. Yes I will bless the Lord and not forget the glorious things He does for me."

Birthday Greetings to friends and prayers offered for them in the office on their birthday are well appreciated and valued. Many friends are still continuing to receive their birthday greetings from the very inception of this practice. Some are upset if they fail to receive the same by postal mistake. On our side, we feel that this is a valuable means of spiritual contact with supporting members and their families. At present the office sends out annually 5580 greeting cards incurring a postal expense of Rs. 558 annually. The birthday list increases. As we value this spiritual contact, we do not mind about the expense.

Birthday is the day on which we thank God with joyful hearts for His boundless mercies in granting another year in the span of our life. It is an occasion we recount God's blessings on us in the years passed, which help us to go into future with trust in Him and in confidence. We celebrate the day with joy in the company of friends and family members and sing with king David. Will it not be an added blessing to give a thank offering to God on that happy occasion to be used for a worthy cause.

As the N.M.S. has to work in unreached places, our missionaries are in most difficult and remote places, even without means of conveyance, communication and conveniences (Some do not have even postal services) They are in such places in obedience to God's call and on behalf of us. They have no facilities to educate their children. As they are in these difficult places, we have the responsibility to provide the education for our missionaries' children. I feel that that this is a worthy cause to which birthday thank offering can be set apart and built up as an endowment. If every member who receives the greetings sends even a nominal offering, it will be a decent amount to build up this project. I wish that there will be a good response.

Finance :

We thank God for His abundant mercies in providing sufficient funds for the year 1973-74 through His faithful. In reviewing the past few years, the N.M.S. has steadily grown in finance. So with grateful heart to God, I thank every supporter of the society.

If we look at the income and the Budget for the year 1973-74, we know that some of the areas have done very well but some others have not raised their anticipated income. The N.M.S. budget is a faith budget prepared, trusting in God and our supporters.

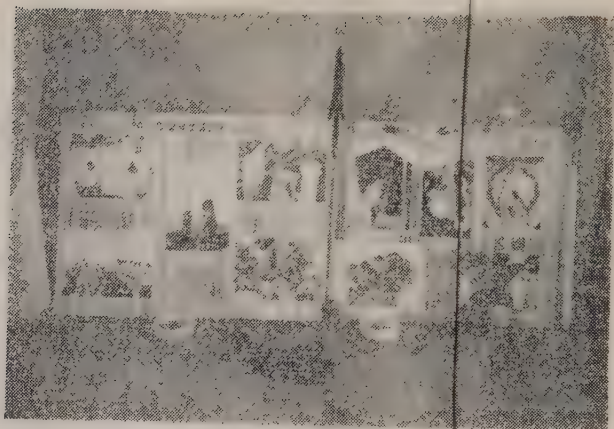
**Statement of Income for One Year from 1st April,
1973 to 31st March, 1974 with the anticipated
Budgetted amount for the period
1973—1974**

S. No.	Place:	Budgetted amount	Received in 12 months
1.	Punjab	100 00	121 00
2.	* Uttar Pradesh	9000 00	4976 49
3.	Delhi	4000 00	4237 00
4.	* Bengal	3500 00	2520 00
5.	Maharashtra	11400 00	11546 06
6.	* Assam	750 00	600 00
7.	* Bihar	500 00	352 00
8.	Orissa	1000 00	1293 16
9.	* Rajasthan	500 00	142 00
10.	* Gujarat	500 00	320 00
11.	Madhya Pradesh	3300 00	3651 81
12.	Kerala	5000 00	6814 54
13.	Mysore	7000 00	8489 49
14.	Andhra Pradesh	2000 00	2801 83
15.	North Tamil Area	5000 00	8750 92
16.	South Tamil area	8000 00	15402 01
17.	Madras City	23000 00	35865 70
18.	* Birthday	300 00	190 00
19.	Miscellaneous	5000 00	6701 60
20.	Interest	3500 00	4644 59
21.	Field Receipts	3000 00	2917 18
22.	Outside India	1000 00	4504 00

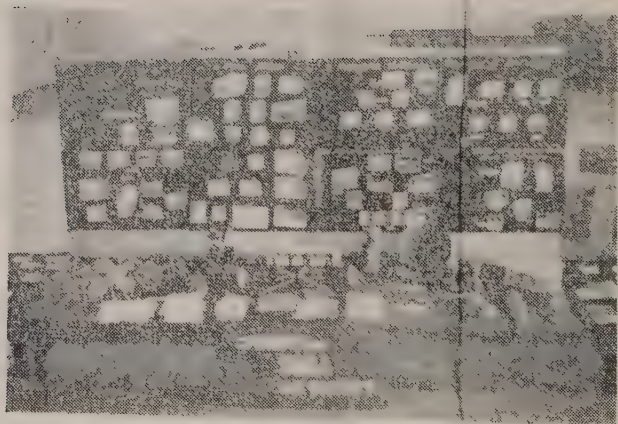
Support of the Sponsoring Bodies

St. John's Church, Vellore	1920 00	1920 00
Kanyakumari Missionary		
Prayer Band & Nagercoil		
Home Church	12500 00	15651 26
Earmarked Funds		
Bihar work	3000 00	3000 00
Andaman work (1.4.73—28.2.74)	—	3580 00
* Indicates the areas not reached the budgetted amount.	1,14,970 00	1,50,992 64

Opening of the Andaman Project is delayed, as we could not yet get a suitable worker. It may need Rs. 6000 per annum.



I. M. S. Exhibits



I. M. S. & N. M. S. Exhibits

So, while we congratulate and thank the friends in the areas which have done well, we request the friends in other areas to do their utmost from the beginning of the current year to raise the anticipated income and more.

In this connection, I thank the three Organizing secretaries and the workers who helped the society in deputation work and for their sincere efforts to tell about the N. M. S. and for organising branches.

I wish and pray that God who helped us in the past years, will continue to help us in this year to finish the year without a deficit.

The Co-ordination Conference

The first co-ordination conference of the indigenous missionary societies and missions connected with the churches in India, was held in the N. M. S. office from March 22-24th 1974. Though more than 100 invitations were sent out to the all known missionary groups and church heads, we got reply only from 22 people. 19 delegates representing 16 missionary bodies attended the same. We thank God for the successful conference, which is the first of its kind.

The FINDINGS of the Co-ordination conference are as follows.

1. It was by God's guidance that we were able to have the conference after 2 years with the co-operation of the participating bodies. So, we thank God for His grace and guidance in the conduct of the conference.

2. It is recommended that all the missionary bodies should have co-ordination on the platform; having a common platform, missionary; conventions, exhibitions etc. and to avoid criticism of one another.

3. That all the participating bodies unanimously affirmed that 'mission' involves the proclamation of the Gospel by work and deed.

4. It is recommended that when a worker, who is in the services of another missionary body, or who has left any missionary society, should not be taken in employment by another missionary body without mutual consultation.



**General Secretary N.M.S. and F. M. P. B.
General Secretary Discussing**



Rev. C. G. David, Marthoma Church Explains a thing

5. It is felt to have a joint periodical missionary publication and also it is necessary to exchange our publications.
6. It is recommended that in regard to the placement of missionary personnel to any area, the sending bodies to observe christian standards of consultation with charity, with the other agencies and churches who are already operating within that area.
7. Recommended to request that christian youth organisation such as Youth for Christ, Student Christian Movement, F.G.Y.M.A.I. Evangelical Union of students of India, Theological colleges etc. to stress on Missionary Challenge in the country.
8. Recommended that this co-ordination conference can be held annually in different centres and the N.M.S. General Secresary to be the convener of the co-ordination conference. Each delegate has to meet his own travel and boarding charges. The next venue of the conference is to be Arasaradi, Madurai.

It was also recommended that Bible Studies on the mission of the church' be included in the conference agenda.

So, with a grateful heart to God and thanks to the friends of N.M.S. I conclude this letter and pray that with the friends and renewed efforts, we are emboldened to go ahead with our Lord's task entrusted to the society. (i.e) to win India and its surrounding countries for Christ.

May God bless you all.

Yours in His service,
Sd. K. G. S. DORAIRAJ,
General Secretary.

THE IMPORTANT DAYS

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| August 10th Saturday, 1974 | — | Madras Annual Sale. |
| October 7th-13th, 1974 | — | N.M.S. Week of Prayer |
| October 13th, Sunday, 1974 | — | N.M.S. Sunday |
| October, 13th, Sunday, 1974 | — | Madras city Area Committee one-day retreat. |
| October 10-13th, 1974. | — | Triennial conference will be held in Bangalore. |

THE NATIONAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIA

MADRAS CITY AREA COMMITTEE

Members—980

Committee Members 34

Branches 24

The Madras City Area Committee was formed in the year 1958, for the purpose of prayer and raising funds to support the full time evangelistic workers in those places in India and nearby countries where the Gospel has not reached.

The Committee consists of 34 members. They elect every year a President, four Vice Presidents, a Hon. Secretary and a Hon. Treasurer. The committee meets regularly every month on the 2nd Monday to pray and to plan the activities of the society (N.M.S.) in Madras.

Conveners : There are 24 branches in the City, with a convener for each. The conveners are regular members of the City Area Committee. They not only convene prayer meetings in the homes of the members, but also contact members and collect or arrange to collect subscriptions in their particular areas. In fact, the conveners are the backbone of the City N.M.S.

Sunday Schools : There are seven sunday schools in the city run by the N.M.S. mostly for non-christian children. Here again, the responsibility for each Sunday school is on the convener of that area. During Christmas, special functions are arranged for those children who enact plays, sing and recite Bible verses. A present is given to every child.

Annual Sale : The committee conducts a Annual Sale on the 2nd Saturday of August, to raise funds for the society. This year Rt. Rev. Lesslie Newbigin, Bishop in Madras presided and opened the sale. We were able to raise Rs. 11,404-40 with the enthusiastic support of the committee, members and friends of the society. On this occasion an attractive souvenir was brought out and we were able to raise another Rs. 1000/- through it.

Week of Prayer : The week of prayer was observed from the 8th to 14th October, 1973. Cottage prayer meetings were arranged in all the 24 branches. Presbyters of the City Churches co-operated with us in organising Service in their churches on N.M.S. Sunday. A one day retreat was arranged on the 14th

October to close this week of prayer, at the Madras Christian College High School. Brother D.G.S. Dhinakaran gave the message. Mr. Paul Singh, Organising Secretary for North India spoke on the N.M.S. work being done in North India. The Rev. D. Elias spoke about the work in the Jawadhi Hills. About 300 members and friends attended the retreat.

Conference : This year a conference was arranged for the Madras City area committee members on the 18th of November at Y.M.C.A. College of Phy. Education. 32 Members attended the conference. The purpose of the conference was to assess the quantum of work done by each one of the committee members and to bring out their difficulties etc. Our General Secretary the Rev. K. G. S. Dorairaj gave a very detailed report about the N.M.S. from its inception till date with chart and maps. 20 questions were put on the board for the members to discuss. This conference was very useful in helping the members to realise their responsibilities to preach the Gospel to the unreached.

Get-together : This annual social function for the members and their families was arranged on the 26th January 1974, in the premises of the Bentick Girls High School, Vepery. Dr. & Mrs. Santhosam were the chief guests. The programme consisted of light refreshments, sports for children and adults and a public meeting. A report about the work of the society and its finances was presented to the gathering, about 400 in number.

Membership Campaign : The Campaign was inaugurated by the N.M.S. Uncle, Mr. G. Solomon and a folder 'Just a Minute' was released by him. The slogan of the campaign was "EACH ONE REACH ONE". We secured 156 new members through this special effort.

Budget : The Income budget for the year 1973-74 was Rs. 24,000/- and we are happy to report that through the prayerful efforts of our members, we were able to raise Rs. 35,865-40.

Thanks : We humbly recognize that whatever has been achieved by the Madras city area committee is due to the untiring services rendered by everyone of our committee members, the Presidents and office bearers.

In all our various activities we could see and feel the hand of our Lord and Saviour, guiding us in every detail. May His name be more and more glorified.

Appeal : We have only 980 members in the city where there are more than a lakh of Christians. Have we not as Christians a special responsibility to take the gospel or help to send our representatives with the Gospel to those who have not yet heard of Him ? May we therefore appeal to the Christian Public of the city to express their concern for the work being carried on by the N.M.S. ? Let us all join together to pray and support the ordained Ministers, Evangelists, Teachers, Nurses and all other workers who are serving the Lord in various parts of our beloved land and the surrounding countries so that they may gain more strength and fuller spirit in glorifying Him.

Let us remember to practise
the Slogan

'EACH ONE REACH ONE'

J. Colton Samuel
Hon. Treasurer,

V. G. Williams
Hon. Secretary

M. D. Selvaraj
President.

NATIONAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIA

Madras City area Committee conveners.

President : Mr. M. D. Selvaraj

Vice Presidents :

1. Mr. P. C. Arumainayagam
2. Mr. T. Chelliah
3. Mr. G. D. Williams
4. Miss Vijaya Swamidoss

Hon. Treasurer : Mr. Colton Samuel,

Hon. Secretary : Mr. V. G. Williams

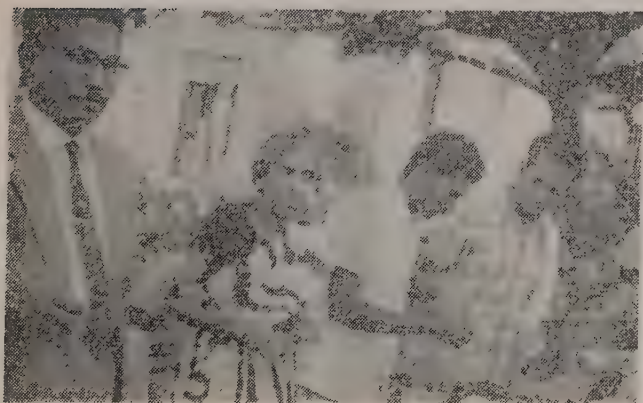
General Secretary : The Rev. K. G. S. Dorairaj

Conveners and their respective Branches :

1. Ayanavaram	—Mr. E. A. Pitchaipillai
2. Adyar	—Mr. J. F. Devaraj
3. Anna Nagar	—Mr. G. Thomas Bauliah
4. Chintadripet	—Mr. Paulraj
5. Chromepet	—Mr. Madur Dev Anand



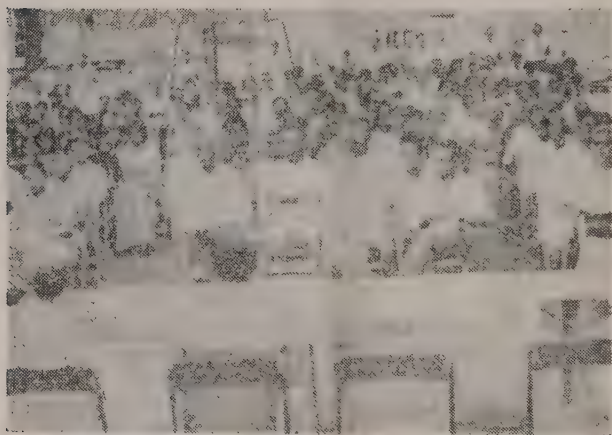
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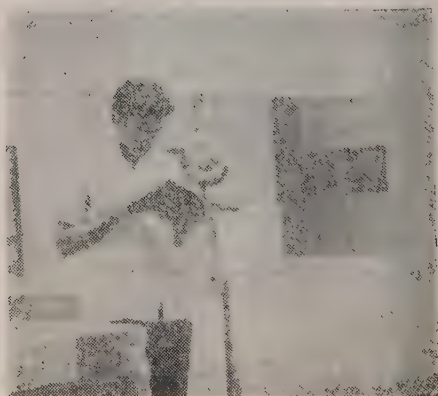
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Bishop Newbigin Presides, declares open the sale



A view of the gathering at the sale



**Tribal enquirer
Reading Bible
at the Sale**

The National Missionary Society of India

Madras City Area Committee

GROSS SALE INCOME FOR THE YEAR 1973—74

1.	Thro' Advertisement Charges	1665	00
2.	Thro' Mr. M. D. Selvaraj, Shenoinagar	950	00
3.	Thro' Mr. & Mrs. E. Paul Gnanabaranam	669	00
4.	Thro' Mrs. Joy Pandian	240	00
5.	Thro' Mrs. Thangam Pandian	30	00
6.	Thro' Headmaster, Wesley High School	10	00
7.	Thro' Mrs. A. Dorairaj, Royapettah	900	00
8.	Thro' The Headmaster, Christ College High School	111	00
9.	Thro' Mr. Thomas Jayaraj, Mandaveli	105	00
10.	Thro' Dr. Mrs. L. Thambiah, Madras-84	1522	00
11.	Thro' Mr. G. D. Williams	500	00
12.	Thro' Mr. S. S. Samuel, Kilpauk	100	00
13.	Thro' Mrs. C. P. Michael, Santhome	130	00
14.	Thro' Mrs. Clarke, T. Nagar	55	00
15.	Thro' Mrs. U. Muthiah, Egmore	70	00
16.	Thro' Mrs' N. Roberts, Egmore	100	00
17.	Thro' Mr. Paramanandam, Vepery	101	00
18.	Thro' Mr. Robinson, Kilpauk	42	00
19.	Thro' Mrs. Kesari, Saidapet	48	00
20.	Thro' Mr. E. A. Pitchaipillai, Ayanavaram	10	00
21.	Thro' Mrs. P. S. Gnanam, Madras-1	105	00
22.	Thro' Mr. J. F. Devaraj, Lucky Dip Stall	476	16
23.	Thro' Mr. Paul Victor, Chromepet	35	95
24.	Sale of Vegetables	16	85
25.	Sale of Guru Medicine	10	00
26.	Thro' Mrs. Stella Moses, Washermenpet	56	00
27.	Christ Church, Washermenpet	50	00
28.	E. Lazarus, Ayanavaram	15	00
29.	Mr. Alexander	10	00
30.	Mr. A. Ebenezer	15	00
31.	Mr. T. R. Lakshmanan	50	00
32.	Thomas, Balarkalvi Nilayam	15	00
33.	Mr. & Mrs. S. W. Kanagaraj	50	00
34.	Rev. J. A. L. Baynes	25	00
35.	Mrs. J. A. Abraham, U S.A.	378	23
36.	Sale of Furnitures to Dharmaraj School	28	00
37.	Thro' The Treasurer A/Committee Sale proceeds	2704	25
38.	Thro' Mr. Alfred Vetharaj, Vepery	56	00

Total Rs. 11404 40

The National Missionary Society of India

Madras City Area Committee

Statement of Income received during the year 1973-74

April 1973 — March 1974

1.	Thro' Mr. E. Paul Gnanabaranam, (Royapettah, Tambaram & Meenambakkam)	4462	00
2.	Thro' Mr. E. A. Pitchaipillai (Ayanavaram)	1626	00
3.	Thro' Mrs. A. Dorairaj (Royapettah & Tambaram)	2168	50
4.	Thro' Mr. Ernest Muthiah (Shenoy Nagar)	1388	00
5.	Thro' Mr. J. E. Devaraj (Adayar & I. I. T.)	527	50
6.	Thro' Mr. S. S. Samuel (Kilpauk, Kilpauk Garden and Secretariat colony)	1003	00
7.	Thro' Mr. G. Solomon (Vepery)	148	00
8.	Thro' Mr. D. Monsingh (Royapuram)	486	50
9.	Thro' Mrs. Stella Moses (Washermenpet)	427	00
10.	Thro' Mrs. Joy Pandian (Vepery)	187	00
11.	Thro' Mr. Jacob Sylvanus	50	00
12.	Thro' Mr. Paul Devadoss (Perambur)	29	00
13.	Thro' Mr. Alfred Vetharaj (Vepery II)	454	00
14.	Thro' Mr. D. S. Dharmaraj (Royapettah, Mylapore, Santhome, G. T. T. Nagar, Kodambakkam, Nungambakkam & Saidapet)	2465	00
15.	Thro' Mr. R. Joseph (Vepery, Kilpauk Garden and Egmore)	1991	00
16.	Thro' Mr. P. C. Arumainayagam (Nandanam)	276	00
17.	Thro' Mr. J. F. Jayavelu (Perambur)	107	00
18.	Thro' Mrs. Kesari (Saidapet)	23	00
19.	Thro' Mr. P. C. Matthew, (George Town & Boys town)	53	00
		17851	50
City Churches		2026	00
Individuals		2689	00
Gross Sale Income		11404	40
Gross Get-together Income		711	50
Gross Retreat Income		1163	30
Gross Income		Total	Rs. 35865 70

6. Egmore	—Mrs. S. Gnanadas
7. George Town	—Mr. P. C. Matthew
8. I.C.F.	—Mrs. B. C. Gandhi
9. Kilpauk Garden Colony	—Mr. S. Robinson
10. Kilpauk Sec. Colony	—Mr. S. S. Samuel
11. Kosapet	—Mr. V. J. Santhappan
12. Kodambakkam	—Mr. S. A. S. Devanesan
13. Meenambakkam	—Mr. J. C. Raj
14. Mylapore & Santhome	—Mr. Thomas Jayaraj
15. Nungambakkam	—Mrs. Lilly Yesudian
16. Nandanam	—Mr. P. C. Arumainayagam
17. Perambur	—Mr. Jayavelu
18. Royapettah	Mrs. A. Dorairaj, Mr. E. P. Gnanabaranam
19. Royapuram	— Mr. D. Monsingh
20. Shenoy nagar	Mr. Ernest Muthiah
21. Saidapet	Mrs. Kesari
22. Thangal	Mr. D. K. Paul
23. Washermenpet & Tondiarpet	Mrs. Stella Moses
24. T. Nagar	Mr. G. H. David
25. Triplicane	Mr. S. Muthuraj
26. Vepery I	Mrs. Joy Pandian, Mr. A. Vetharaj
27. Vepery II	Mr. M. R. Paramanandam,
28. Villivakkam	Mrs. E. J. Williams

GREAT HYMNS AND THEIR AUTHORS No. 10.

Frances Ridley Havergal 1836-1879.

1. "Take my life and let it be" Songs and Solos 616.
2. Thy life was given for me" Songs and Solos 622.

Among the ladies who have enriched our Christian hymnary, Miss Havergal holds an honoured niche along with Mrs. Sarah Adams and Mrs. Fanny Crossby. Born in Astley Worcestershire, England in 1836, she gave early signs of precocity. She was the daughter of an Anglican Minister. At the age of 4, she could read the Bible and later in her teens she memorised New Testament and a part of the old. She knew 5 languages and was also a musician.

She could play on the piano great pieces of music from memory. The occasion for the composing of the hymn "Take my life and let it be" was, that once in her Gospel work, 10 people were converted. She was so happy and excited that she could not sleep until these words in her mind were written. It is said that throughout her life she used to sing this hymn and consecrate her spiritual life. It is mysterious how God in His providence did not bless her with a healthy life. She died at an early age of 42 of consumption. Her life was a great witness and consolation to many men and women.

E. P. G.

N.M.S. FIELD REPORTS

JAWADI HILLS—Jamanamarathur.

During this month, a woman by name Pottammal who was possessed by evil spirit was brought to our Wednesday Service. She was miraculously cured and she went back to her home. We visited her village and conducted—gospel meetings. N.M.S. friends are requested to pray for her and the villagers.

ALLERI—M/s. A. C. Nayagam and Stanley write:—

The villagers are hearing the gospel eagerly. Bellia Gounder and Boochi Gounder who are leaders are both ill. We are praying for their recovery. If they recover, it will have a telling effect on the villagers. Prayers of friends are requested.

KALYANAMANTHAI—Nurse Mrs. Esther Robertson writes:—

During the month 272 men, 106 women and 105 children were given medical aid,

JAMANAMARATHUR:—

Chinnaswamy—a leper is being prayed for. He is hearing the Gospel message eagerly. He is afraid of becoming a christian lest his relations should throw him out of their house. Is not this a fitting subject for our prayers?

VEERAPPANUR—Mr. Dhiraviam writes:—

By the grace of God; the people of this place are opening their hearts to the Gospel message better than last year. They are

coming forward and are prepared to accept our Lord as Saviour but they are bound by the caste system. Let us pray for their relief. Kollai Gounder has eye trouble. During the month 389 persons men, women and children were given medical aid.

ATHEPET—Mr. Rajayyan writes:—

Along with certain Government servants, we conducted prayer meetings in the surrounding villages in open air with loud speakers. On account of difficulty in getting Kerosine, night schools have been given up. If electric light is installed in my house night school can be conducted.

NADANUR—Mr. Gnanamuthu writes:—

As usual, Dr. Job and friends from St. John's Church Vellore visited Nadanur and held meetings, It was a spiritual meeting, many villagers came and witnessed for Christ, the number was greater than last month. Film shows were also exhibited. Chinanan of Koilur village is suffering from Leprosy and he has been admitted into the C. M. C. Hospital at Vellore.

THONGUMALAI—Mr. O. J. Meyyan writes:—

Ten boys of Anaicut village have accepted Jesus as their Lord and Saviour. They were handed over to the pastor of Pallikonda (O.M.S.) and were baptised. Prayers for their spiritual witness are requested.

GUNDALATHUR—Mr. Paulian writes:—

Night school are regularly conducted. Boys are learning with great zeal and there is need for more schools.

OMAYANPUTHUR—Mr. K. R. William writes:—

Day and night schools are run, with only a few students. We are presenting the Gospel. One man refuses to send his children for the simple reason that he needs them for his agriculture work. Members and friends are requested to pray for the work in my village.

REPORTS FROM NORTH INDIA N.M.S. FIELDS

Mr. Paul Singh—Organising Secretary, N.M.S., North India, writes:—

Visited Itarsi and Sohagpur in company with the Rev. K.G.S. Dorairaj. This gave the General Secretary first hand knowledge about the work that is being done here. Visited Allahabad and spoke in the Youth meeting in St. Peter's Church and also in the Bible Seminary. Attended U.P. Area Committee. Visited Jhansi and spoke in Mary's Church and Holy Cross Church.

NEBOGRAM (Calcutta) Mr. P. R. Gupta writes :

Accompanied by the Rev. K.G.S. Dorairaj, General Secretary, paid visits to Basudevpur and made individual contacts with three young men including a postmaster, who are interested in the Christian Gospel. Also made contact with a young Muslim who is intending to join the Sunday service. Made contacts also with several other young men including a physician, who wanted to know about Christianity. Visited Govardhan, and contacted Messrs Mondol, Pribar, Chakrabarthi and G. Paramanik.

MUDDEBIHAL. Franklin Bhasme writes :—

Visited Biderkundi and conducted Sunday Service. Visited Bisapur, Hittinahalli Bagaiwadi, Katageri, and made personal contacts, and did evangelistic work, speaking to persons individually and in meetings. Also went house visiting in several villages. Conducted prayer meetings in Kavadihatti. In a hotel at Katagina, after distribution of hand-bills, in reply to questions about Jesus Christ, I explained about the unique sacrifice for the Salvation of mankind. Shri Mulla also gave his experiences.

BAGESHWAR. Mr. Bachi Singh writes :—

Visited Nadigaon, Baijinath, Garur, and distributed tracts. Visited also bus stations and Harijan Mohalla and distributed tracts. Made individual contacts, with two christian families. On Sundays, I conduct service. Three College teachers were contacted and two Government officials were also contacted and I spoke to them about Christianity and salvation. Shop keepers were also contacted in their shops and Gospels were presented. In all, 60 tracts were distributed at bus stations

PURI Pastor G. Rosiah and Rev. Paul Sanjeevi write.

On Sundays Church service were regularly held, with "Lord-super" service. House visiting of congregation members

was regularly conducted in company with M/s. K. P. Apparao, K. K. Rao, P. Rajababu and made individual contacts. New enquirers were also contacted and Gospel presented. House prayers were regularly conducted. Mrs. Kirupamma is in the hospital, and prayers are requested from members for her recovery. At Mangalvadi, I conducted Prayer meeting on three days. There are new enquirers at Pentakota, and Noliasahi. There is need for a house at Noliasahi.

BHARATPUR-Rajasthan Rev. S.C.P. Tyagi writes :-

Conducted Sunday Church services regularly. Distributed tracts and booklets at Railway Station, Railway Colony, police lines and C.I.D. office. Industrial colony was also visited. Surrounding Villages Pachammandi, Ranjit Nagar, Gulzar Bagh, Motigheel were visited and Gospel work was done. Bazar preaching was regularly conducted. Co-operating with the Rev. Nigal Singh I.E.H.C. and Rev. S. R. Masih of the Bible society Gospel work was done in their campaigns. House to house visiting and sick people visitation were regularly done.

BOMBAY

Mr. J. P. Ashwal Organising Secretary N.M.S. Western India, writes.

Visited Bangalore Jalahalli, Mysore and did deputation work in Karnataka, visiting Belgaun, Hubli, Ankola, Kumta, Bhadravathi and Shimoga. Conducted Sunday school at Kalina. Attended Co-ordination conference of indigenous societies at Madras.

OBITUARY

We regret to inform you that Miss Angelina Browne passed away on 28th February 1974, at her residence at Mhow Cantt. M.P. Her parents Mr. and Mrs. Browne, sister Mally Browne were all interested in the N. M. S. Miss Angelina Browne was a life member of our society. They not only took interest in the N.M.S. but also in the Bible society and Tract society etc. May God grant Angelina Browne the joy of His fellowship.

Subscriptions received for the month of March, 1974

	Rs.	P.	Orissa	Rs:	P.
Punjab					
Mrs. K. Thakurdas, Punjab	10	00	Treasurer, N.M.S. Puri branch	25	00
	10	00	Mr. A. C. Misra, Puri	5	00
			<i>Thro' Mr. J. K. Das, Cuttack</i>		
Uttar Pradesh			Mr. Nisikanta Das	15	00
The Treasurer, Isabella Thoburn college	20	00	Miss G. Santra	10	00
The O.M.S. Church, Allahabad	25	00	Oriya Baptist Church	250	00
Thro' Mr. R. M. Vincent University Branch	50	00	Peytonsahi Girls C. E. Society	16	00
Thro' Mr. A. V. Singh Allahabad branch	100	00	Mr. Issac Peter	5	00
			„ J. K. Das	4	00
				330	00
<i>Thro, Mr. L. Chand, Agra</i>			Maharashtra		
Mr. & Mrs. C.E. Hakim	15	00	<i>Thro' Mrs. A. Bidari</i>		
„ & Mrs. L. K. Chand	4	00	Dr. R. A. Bidari	50	00
„ S. P. Lazarus	1	00	„ E. R. Bidari	11	00
„ & Mrs. E. P. Lazarus	2	00	Mrs. S. M. Rubdi	5	00
Thro' Mr. A. B. David, Jhansi branch collection	400	00	Miss K. Basuthkur	4	00
Mr. P. P. Das, Aligarh	20	00	Mr. H. Eikos	4	00
Rev. D. P. Titus, Lucknow	5	00	Mrs. E. Peters	5	00
Registration fee	5	00	„ S. Malap	2	00
Mr. B. Andrews, Jhansi	100	00	Mr. M. Wagmare	2	00
„ A. L. Cristina	5	00	„ S. Gaikwad	2	00
Rev. R. K. J. Asna	5	00	„ S. Chandani	1	00
Dr. E. I. Shipstone	25	00	Mrs. A. Peters	5	00
Miss E. Misra	5	00	Mr. Y. S. Potadar	2	00
„ J. E. David	5	00	Mrs. I. P. Sawant	1	00
Mr. A. H. Khan & family	15	00	„ A. R. Bidari	10	00
	802	00	<i>Thro' Mr. J. P. Ashwal</i>		
			Towards the salary of the worker at Mysore for Feb. and March, 1974	498	65
Delhi			Towards registration fee	5	00
Thro' Mr. Francis Pershad Delhi branch collection	801	28	Byculla Central	13	00
Mr. B. C. Ghose, New Delhi	8	00	Chembur	116	25
„ Masih Dayal	10	00	Kurla & Vikroli	643	50
	819	28	Bandra	69	25
			Borivili Prayer offertory	18	45
Bengal			Chembur Prayer offertory	38	63
Thro' The Treasurer, N.M.S. Calcutta Branch	600	00	Kurla Prayer Union	4	00
	600	00	<i>February collections</i>		
			Mrs. R. Tholar	10	00
			„ D. W. Godwin	5	00
			„ Susan Abraham	5	00
			„ M. Bamalser	10	00
			Prof. J. Barnabas	5	00
			Thro' Mrs. Lilly Soans, Udipi	70	00

	Rs.	P.		Rs.	P.
Roland Martin Salins	2	00	Mr. Daniel Salins	2	00
V. S. Amanna	5	00	„ & Mrs. A. Sannutha	5	00
L. Manalan	5	00	„ Edwine Jayakar	3	00
Mr. Bangera	5	00	„ A. G. Soans	25	00
„ James Wilson	2	00	„ A. Q. Jathanna	5	00
„ V. J. Maben	2	00	„ A. P. Aiman	5	00
„ Ananada Kotaian	3	00	„ W. A. Salins	5	00
„ Christopher Amanna	5	00	„ Jathanna	5	00
„ Felix Amanna	5	00	„ G. J. Maben	30	00
Mrs. Alice Amanna	5	00	„ Premkumar Soans	5	00
Mr. Charles Kotian	2	00	„ J. H. Maurer	20	00
„ Daniel Kotian	2	00	„ Herman Amanna	5	00
„ Ebenezer Jathanna	2	00	„ E. D. Ashwal	30	00
„ S. J. Lawrence	5	00	„ J. Israel	5	00
„ M. Sanjeeva Amanna	10	00	Mrs. R. Kunder	10	00
„ G. Hubert D'Silva	5	00	Mr. L. B. Amann.	10	00
Rev. R. A. Ephraim	15	00	Methodist Telugu Church	20	00
Mr. J. W. Jathanna	5	00	Vikroli	70	50
„ Sadrack Palanna	5	00	Vikroli Prayer fellowship	6	00
„ Devapriya Karkada	5	00	Miss G. Furtado. Birthday	10	00
„ John Jathanna	5	00	March 1974		
Mrs. L. S. Simons	5	00	Mr. & Mrs. E. Benedict	30	00
„ Prasanni Soans	2	00	„ Ch. Ananda	15	00
„ John Jathanna	2	00	„ J. W. Menezes	12	00
„ J. D. Bangera	3	00	The Karnataka Church	50	00
„ Gershan Salins	10	00	Mrs. S. Menezes	10	00
Rev. A. A. Alberts	5	00	Sam Sivadas	5	00
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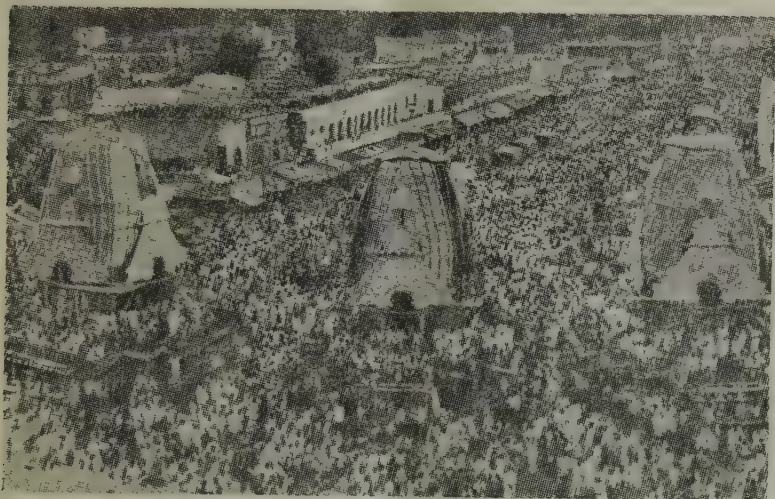
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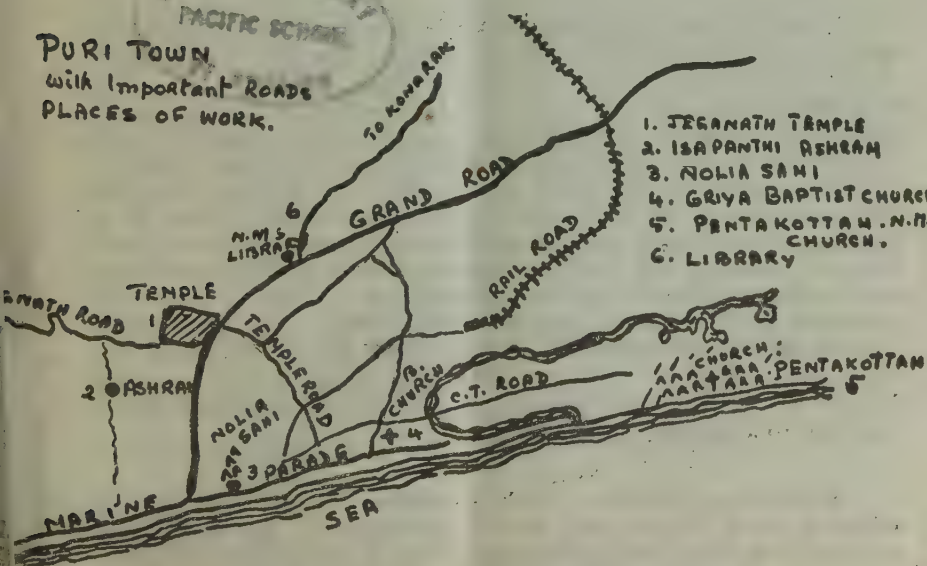
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Message

Lo! I am with you always till the end of times : Math : 28-20.

In the May issue of the N.M.I. we observed one remarkable fact about Christianity in that the grave of its founder was empty, unlike the graves of the founders of other religions. Another unique fact about Christianity is that unlike other religions, it has a past. John 1-1. "In the beginning was the Word" etc. Mohomadanism, Buddhism, Confuciusianism and Zorostranism started in the lives of their founders and they had no background. With Christianity it is different. Even at the dawn of creation, God promised the birth of a Saviour and a new dispensation. Down the centuries, prophets and saints have been fore-telling the birth of Jesus Christ. Hence through the years, since creation, God was guiding, leading and revealing Himself to men in a personal, powerful way.

The past became present in the birth of our Lord. John. 1:14 "The word was made flesh and dwelt among us." For three and a half years, He walked in the Holy Land through and through, preaching, healing and revealing eternal truths such as no other founder of a religion ever did. His earthly presence made Christianity real, personal and a driving force by which men were completely changed to become new creatures II Cor. 5-17.

Lastly, Christianity has not only a glorious past, a dynamic present, but holds out a definite delectable future. Psalms. 23-6 'I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever'. II Tim. 4, 8. The last promise of our Saviour "Lo! I am with you till the end of times", is significant. Not in vain, or in frustrated hope need we live distracted and disintegrated lives, confused by the doctrines of alien religions as the Maya, the Nirvana, the Karma and the Transmigration. We have been assured of a definite future, of a life beyond the grave, with fellowship with saints-triumphant; and what is more, we are promised (Matt. 28-20.) of the presence of our Lord with us in all our lives. The lives of St. Paul II Tim. 4-8. Abraham Lincoln fighting against slavery, David Livingston penetrating the dark continent of Africa, John Wesley trudging the roads and bylanes of England to awaken a religious consciousness in men and women, are instances of girding and goading lives in response to a call and a challenge.

Followers as we are, of such a glorious religion and blessed of our Lord by His presence, what is our response. Are we leading a listless life, living in the present tense, with our clamorous needs,

absorbing hurts, satisfying the pleasures of the immediate moment or does our religion spur and activise us to a life of a challenge that faces us on all sides, political and social and goad us to reclaim the society, proclaim the Gospel by our lives, lips and labour. The call of St. Paul (Romans 12:5) is still relevant today "Lets act as members of one another, redeeming the time" and reclaiming our benighted land by being His witnesses.

E. P. G.

EDITORIAL

We are thankful to God that this issue of the National Missionary Intelligencer comes out as a special PURI ISSUE. The aim of bringing such issues is to make our readers, friends and supporters to have a proper understanding of the important work that is carried on in the most difficult place of Hindu pilgrim centre in India. By His grace, the work had been very successful inspite of the opposition by the Government and the Pandas of the temple. It is also to impress the importance of Library work which serves as an evangelistic centre. We have already appealed to the friends about the repair and equipments for the Library building and also for the support of a worker. We thank all those who have responded to our appeal. May God bless them, but we need more funds for the same. The congregation at Puri has become a model congregation. We also thank God for it. We invite our friends to visit the Ashram. The annual budget for the centre is Rs. 15,000/- for the support of an Ordained Minister, 2 evangelists and their wives, 2 teachers, 1 gardener cum evangelist and a librarian. We request the friends to pray for the centre and to do their mite to help the work.

We are happy to inform that the Madras Ladies Auxiliary of the N.M.S. was revived at a meeting called on the 27th April 1974. The following officers were elected.

Patron—Dr. Mrs. L. Thambiah Secretary—Mrs. Cyril Raj

President Mrs. Gnanam Joint Secretary—Mrs. Bright

Vice Presidents Mrs. A. Dorairaj, Mrs. N. Roberts.

Treasurer—Mrs. S. Rajasakeran.

We request the Lady friends to give their active support to the Auxiliary so that it may function efficiently as before.



ORISSA—INDICATING PURI

Historical Background Of Puri Church

Compiled by: Dr. S. K. Paramanik.

Prior to 1830 A.D. there was no church at Puri. There was only a mission bungalow used as Holiday home for recuperation of broken-health of foreign missionaries who were then working in unhealthy areas under physical strain without any amenities worth its name both outside and inside the then Orissa under Bengal Province.

Malaria and black-water fever was rampant in hilly, forest

and rural areas. And so many lost their lives being attacked with these ailments.

There was neither road facilities nor railway facilities to Puri then. Travelling were accomplished mostly by bullock carts and in waterways.

Baptist Missionary Society (B M S.) headquarters at Calcutta did not like to open their field at Puri then, as this was an important pilgrim centre for the Hindus throughout India. Local people were orthodox and conservative. Hence the atmosphere was not congenial for evangelistic work. So, they decided in 1840 to open their first field at Piplee in Puri District at a distance of 40 k.m. from Puri Town, on the famous Jaganath Road.

There they started with an orphanage, school and cottage industry centre. Later, a small dispensary was added to serve the inmates of the centre, besides the inmates, pilgrims to Puri by Jaganath Road on foot.

Through this media, they started the Gospel preaching work from that centre, gradually spreading to the surrounding villages, travelling on foot.

This Piplee centre which is the oldest in Puri District is known as first church of Mother church of Puri District. Prior to this, the missionary centre at Cuttack was established. So, they used to extend a helping hand for the Piplee centre. Credit goes to Rev. Charles Lacy, who ventured to start such a centre at Piplee and later improved and managed by Rev William Belley, George Taylor, William Brooks, William Miller, Thomas and others. From this centre, inmates were transferred to other rural uninhabited areas of the district where new christian settlements have grown up.

THE CHRISTIAN LIBRARY OR READING ROOM AT PURI is located more or less in the heart of the town on the main Road known as 'BADADAND' or 'JAGANATH ROAD'; the track on which the temple cars roll on car festival days.

Though the age of the reading room cannot be traced out exactly, still, it is approximately 150 years old. The construction has a very peculiar history behind it.

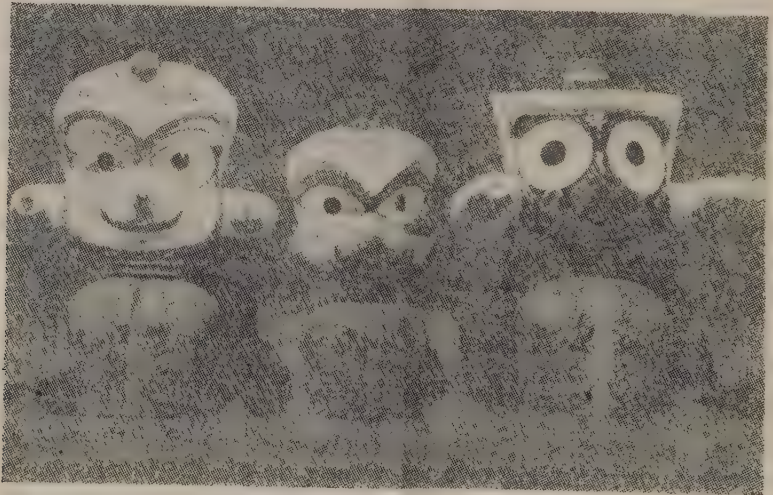
The construction of the room at the particular locality had to face repeated stiff resistance from the side of the local people. The walls were broken several times at the construction stage by the local people. So the work could not be allowed to progress.

The spot was made filthy, so that it will not be agreeable for the mason and the labourers engaged in construction work to stick to the job.

It was said that the construction of the walls up to roof level was effected in one day under strict guard. Since then, this has



TEMPLE OF JAGANATH, PURI



REPLICA OF THE IDOLS IN THE TEMPLE

become the Gospel preaching centre, specially during the Car festival. In 1912, a church building was erected within the present mission compound at Puri through the effort of Rev. Davis by a donation raised from the Wales church.

There were a few christians who temporarily came to Puri for some sort of job and not for settlement, mainly from said Piplee. Prior to the construction of the church building, Sunday worship was being held in the front verandha of the mission bungalow facing the sea.

Through the effort of Mr. Abraham Peddney, the then Port officer of Puri, a small church was organised and he served as its Secretary till he breathed his last in the year 1941.

Two Pastors and one missionary were permanently posted to Puri for Gospel work, both at Puri and in the neighbouring villages.

The first generation left Puri during their life time, as they preferred to fall back on cultivation, for which Puri is not suitable.

The second generation showed some inclination to settle at Puri at least temporarily.

The third generation materialised the idea of their predecessors to some extent, but their financial position was not encouraging. There was no consolidated land available then at a price to suit the pocket of those who are desirous to raise a collective settlement.

The previous missionaries had no such idea, as well as the then population did not find the place beneficial for day to day living. Hence localities then available, where few christians have permanently settled now, are scattered far between. So a village or 'Peta' consisting purely or mostly of christians does not exist.

Even now, Puri church is known as 'Floating Church' as it is composed of floating population mostly service incumbent from other places.

The outsiders outnumber the permanent inhabitants. The economy of the church depends mostly on outsiders and changers who visit the church during their short stay at Puri.

Though the church members are few and floating, still the church maintains a number of wings, which are running smoothly mostly by the effort of Juveniles.

This church has now come to the fold of the church of North India since 1971.

ISAPANTHY ASHRAM

by the Rev. Paul Sanjeevi

Puri—Orissa

In the year 1924, *Isapanthy Ashram* was started by late Sri. B. C. Sircar, one of the ex-General Secretaries of the National Y.M.C.A. and one of the founders of the National Missionary Society of India, on a piece of land leased from the municipality on an annual rental. The object of starting the ashram was to train the Christian youths to be witnesses to Christ in the important City of Puri. He has built some buildings, such as a chapel and a house to live in. As he became old, he could not continue the work and so he handed over the ashram to the National Y.M.C.A. No one came forward to continue the work on behalf of the Y.M.C.A. in the ashram. So, the National Y.M.C.A. handed it over to the National Missionary Society of India in the year 1957.

Mr. Sam John and Mrs. Sam John offered their voluntary service to the Society to do evangelistic work among the Oriyans, making the ashram as their residence and base of evangelistic work.

The ashram is situated on the west of the Jaganath Temple, at a distance of a mile and a half, among cashewnut grove. Sam Johns carried on evangelistic work with the help of Oriya evangelists among the Oriya speaking Noliyas (fishermen).

In the year 1962, the first fruit of our labour, was Sidhu Bishwal and our second fruit Mr. K. Koteswara Rao, who joined the service of the N.M.S. With the in coming of Mr. K. Koteswara Rao, the work among the Telugu fishermen was started. Thus people came from the Andhra Pradesh, a place called Pentakota and established a colony for themselves by the same name. So, the evangelistic work was done and continued till today among the Oriyans as well as the Telugu people.

Following Sam Johns, Rev. John Suba Rao and Mr. J. Samuel continued the work and left in 1967. I was posted there from Jawadhi Hills. With the help of Mr. and Mrs. K. Koteswara Rao and in company with them, we were led by Christ to win some souls for Christ. A miraculous event happened in 1969. In the year 1969, 27 members were baptised in the ashram tank, according to the Baptist rites. Thus a Telugu congregation was formed on September 4th 1969. This congregation expanded itself by bringing 12 more members, who were received by baptism on December 1969. Subsequently another 13 were added. So, the strength of

the congregation now is 85. In addition to this Noliyasahi congregation of 10, continued their worship in the ashram chapel.

In spite of two heavy cyclones and two fire accidents, the congregation, mainly with their own efforts and contribution built a chapel in the midst of the fishermen huts on the seashore which is true to Sam Johns vision.



OUR CONVERTS IN FISHING

The Rt. Rev. Mohanty the C.N.I. bishop of Cuttack, visited the congregation, dedicated the chapel and ordained me as the priest of the congregation on December 3rd 1972.

I am glad to report that still the ashram continues to be the base of our work. I appealed to the readers, having realised the importance of this work, that the ashram may be strengthened as a spiritual retreat centre with more buildings and resources for the same.

OUR WORK IN PURI—Orissa

Puri in the Orissa State, is an ancient pilgrim city in India, existing from the second century A. D. It has the famous Jaganath temple, which draws millions of pilgrims every year from all over

India in general and from Bengal, Bihar and Orissa in particular. The car festival is important. The temple has 3000 priests who do not tolerate the propagation of any other religion. It is also the seat of Sri. Sankarachariar of Puri, the leader of the anti-cow slaughter movement.

At present you can see in that city, many westerners in Indian garb, who were disappointed with their religion, Christianity, as it is practised in their country, seeking santhi in the East. Some call themselves Hindus by wearing yellow robe and beads round their neck. Some of them belong to Hari Krishna cult.

The temple's influence abroad can be understood from the fact that it had a car festival in London in 1969.

There is a Oriya Baptist Church with a congregation of about 50 adults.

Ishapanthy Asram

Late Mr. B. C. Sircar, Ex. General Secretary of the Y.M.C.A. and one of the founders of the N.M.S. got on lease 3 plots of municipal land and started the Ashram known as Ishapanthi Asram. He put up a small chapel, and a building as living quarters. Later, this was turned over to the National Council of Y.M.C.A's. It is an ideal retreat centre, away from the town, quiet and peaceful place. We have also three small rooms.

Call to the N.M.S. & our Work

The call came through the late Prof. N.K. Bose, a nephew of the late Mr. B.C. Sircar to the N.M.S. to work in such a difficult pilgrim centre, described above. After a careful study, the N.M.S. took it over, Our first missionaries were Mr. & Mrs. Sam John. The workers lived in the Ashram and did personal evangelistic work among the people. They opened a public library in a strategic centre, which was also used for weekly public preaching. The workers also involved themselves in the leprosy work. Our first fruit was Sidhu Biswal, a healed leper, who is serving in the capacity as the gardener and an evangelist distributing tracts. From 1961-67 there were about 20 converts. who were baptized in the local Oriya Baptist church. Among the converts was Mr. K. Koteswar Rao, who after working with us as an evangelist, for some time entered into business and became our honorary worker. He is in charge of the field now. In Nolia Sahi, we have a congregation of 10 Oriya speaking fisher folks, who were handed over to the local Baptist church. But, they join in regular Sunday morning workshop in the Ashram chapel with our workers.

Growth of our work

In the course of personal work, we were led by God to work among the Telugu speaking fisher folk at Pentakottah and among the Oriya speaking fisher folk at Nolia Sahi. Our means of contact was an unrecognised school, housed in a big shed among the huts. There are about 10,000 people in the Pentakotah colony. In the school we have 150 children. In Nolia Sahi also, we run a part time Oriya School. In both the schools, we have only Hindu teachers, as we could not get Christian teachers. So, our workers teach the teachers scripture, who pass it on to the children. Our two evangelists go about contacting the people and praying with them. In this way, the workers were led to lead the people to Christ. Mrs. Mariamma Koteswar Rao does marvellous work among the women by conducting regular meetings. She is also our honorary worker.

State Legislation in 1967

The Orissa Government in order to check conversions, from Hinduism, passed in 1967 what was known as Freedom Religion bill. It had its effect on the church's mission. Under this, some christian workers were arrested and later released.

Eruption in 1969

In this context, some people in Pentakottah accepted Christ as their Saviour. They were given regular instruction for 18 months. Knowing their faith, we approached the local church to baptize them. The legislation and the language became the problem. So, the N.M.S. General Secretary was forced to baptize them according to Baptist rites, under the direction of the Rev. N. A. Outlaw, the Baptist Missionary in Puri. On 7-9-69 twenty adults were baptised.

Erreyah-the little-one of Pentacottah

Erreyah is a Hindu fisher boy of 10 years of age living with his parents in one of the huts on the sea shore. He regularly attended the unrecognised N.M.S. School in one of the larger sheds, crowded with 150 children with two Hindu teachers teaching them under the direction of our evangelists.

This Erreyah's belief in Jesus grew steadily that he could not but talk and sing about Jesus wherever he was, whether it was his play ground or he was among his people.

The whole colony was disturbed by the change in him and they reported to his mother who got alarmed at this and warned him

against his utterance of Jesus name threatening him with severe punishment. But the boy boldly persisted in his belief in Jesus.

Again there was uproar against Erreyah the mother got wild at his persistence in his belief in Jesus, dragged him from the street and tied him with a long thick cuttamaran rope w th the pillar post of the hut. The crowd which gathered around the hut laughed and made fun of the boy. Mother challenged the boy saying that she would see whe her his J.esus would save him. Even though the boy was bound tightly round from his foot to neck, the boy asserted that his Lord would save him. The whole crowd had a hearty laugh at the boy's foolish assertion.

The boy Erreyah stood silently unmoved by the rope or mockery he faced. Within a few minutes some unexplainable thing occurred by which the rope fell of its own accord at his feet and at the sametime his mother began to suffer unbearable headache and fever. Erreyah went to his mother and prayed for her and she was relieved. About 30 adult men and women accepted Christ. Thus began the Eruption.

This congregation of 27 expanded itself to 81 by subsequent baptisms.

Their Self reliance and courage: Inspite of two devastating fire and two heavy cyclones, the people were bold in their faith in their Saviour. To reconstruct themselves, without their request, on hearing the devastation, we approached the friends, who responded favourably. The amount, what we collected, about Rs. 2500/-



Our Congregation in Worship

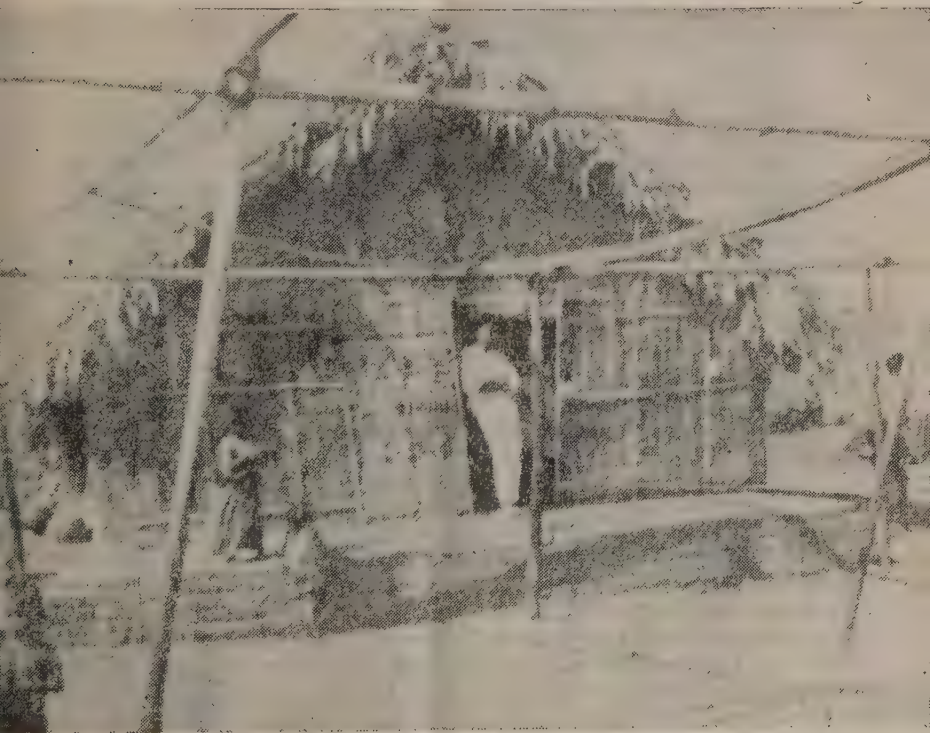


Our Congregation in Proclaiming the Good News at the Car Festival

was sent to them. They instead of using it for themselves, used that amount plus by putting in Rs. 10,000/- more to build the chapel at a cost of Rs. 13:00/- It is a model to many of our dependent christian community who still seek foreign aid.

The kind of congregation the N.M.S. builds.

True to the words of St. Peter to the lame man "I have no silver or gold; but what I have, I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, Walk." the N.M.S. can give only Jesus. So from the beginning, it was brought up as SELF GOVERNING? SELF SUPPORTING, SELF PROPAGATING, congregation. They meet thrice every day in different member's house, have prayers and fellowship. They are knit together in fellowship. The congregation members themselves bear witness. There are about 20 enquirers waiting to be received, into the Church. They are generous in giving. They give Rs. 1500/- every year for the propagation of the Gospel.



OLD CHURCH-CUM-SCHOOL



NEW CHURCH-SCHOOL

The State Intervention

In 1971, all of a sudden the police called on our workers and recorded their statement and threatened them of dire consequences, if they were to convert people. The police also tried to entice the congregation to bear witness against the evangelist Rev. Sanjeevi but failed. They approached the Hindu doctor who helped Mr. Koteswara Rao in his medical help to the people. He challenged them saying 'these are Indians who help our people when you do not do. So I co-operate with them'. So, the police could not do anything; but they threatened our evangelists to expel them from the state. Thanks to God that the General election brought about a change.

The Method of approach

The N.M.S. directs the people to the Saviour of the world through its service.

1. As there was need for education among the fisher men children, it started an un-recognised school in a big shed among the small huts in the sea-shore. Regular school lesson and scripture instruction was given to the children. We are unable to get Christian teachers because no christian is willing to serve on the sacrificial basis of getting salary what N.M.S. provides.

2. Through the first aid medical work which was done by Mr. K. Koteswara Rao with the help of a doctor.

3. Regular personal contact with the gospel by the workers with the people conducting cottage prayer meeting 3 times a day among the christians.

4. Personal knowledge of Christ among christians who were won for Christ and the sense of gratitude in thanking Him by word, offering, and personal life.

The Library

The library building an old Baptist building built against the opposition of local people, stands in a strategic position on Jagnath road or grand road. It was used to contact the intelligensia among the local people and pilgrims through literature. It was also used as a gospel hall, having weekly open air preaching, in spite of much objection by the Pandas. As we have already made known, the building needs to be put in good repair. You can see the picture of the building in a dismantled condition, made ready for to be repaired and reconstructed. We need a good Oriya worker who could push literature and do evangelistic work.



LIBRARY BUILDING WHICH NEEDS TO BE REPAIRED

Unity among the two congregations

At the time of the baptism in 1969, we were much disturbed that these two may stand apart for ever because of language, and be a scandal for the gospel. But God had knit them together into

a pastorate which helping each other in their spiritual life and fellowship. We thank God for His unique act of building them together.

Their church relationship.

As per the policy of the N.M.S. it has to be handed over to the church in that area. Now they are for all purpose in the church of North India, being the part of Cuttack diocese. The Bishop of the Diocese The Rt. Rev. J. K. Mohanty visited the congregation, dedicated the newly built chapel and ordained our worker Rev. Paul Sanjeevi as the Pastor.

We are thankful to the friends who responded generously to our appeal and the money is being forwarded to the Treasurer, Cuttack Diocese for repair work. May God bless all the friends who responded. At the same time we need some more funds to carry on the project. Please pray for the same.

Christmas Celebration with a difference

As any other christian congregation, this little group celebrates the Christmas with midnight service, decorating chapel. For this Christmas the Bishop in Cuttack Diocese and the Treasurer of the diocese visited the congregation. Without touching the collection they made a special collection. They collected Rs. 1700/- out of which they presented 17 sarees to aged and poor women and 50 shirts and dhoties for the poor and aged men. They had a poor feast for 700 people. The joy of Christmas was shared by them with non-christian brothers and sisters in that colony. Is this not a different Christmas?

To conclude, our hearts rise in thanks to God through our Lord for His mighty, happy, and fruitful work in a most difficult place. From the above description given, we can understand that this is a bit of God's plan and we have to continue the same. So, we request the friends to continue to pray for our workers and for the work and to give their God-guided financial support to the work.

The Letter From The Organising Secretary For South India.

Dear Friends,

Greetings in the sweet and mighty name of Jesus. From the 1st of March till the 15th of April I was on my annual leave. During that time I was in North India on my personal matters.

13 Days in Delhi.

Having done my personal business, I had the privilege of meeting the Tamil and Malayalam speaking Christians in Delhi. I was able to preach both in the Marthoma Churches and in the C.N.I. Tamil Church. I was asked to tell about the N.M.S. to the Delhi Bible Institute students, which is run by the All India Prayer Fellowship, and to the congregation of the Delhi Bible Church, which is of the Indian Inland Mission. On behalf of the N.M.S. and myself I am thankful to the Presbyters, leaders and friends of the above institutions and churches for their kind co-operation, which they extended towards the deputation work of the N.M.S.

The Delhi N.M.S. Branch leaders, whom I met in Delhi, expressed their desire to have more deputation work to be done among the Tamil and Malayalam speaking Christians in Delhi.

The South India Christian Fellowship, which met together for their special Easter dinner and fellowship, invited me to be their guest speaker and in which I was able to present the N.M.S. and its activities. On behalf of the Society, and myself I am thankful to the leaders of the fellowship for having given me such an opportunity to represent the N.M.S.

I must mention two families, who helped me a lot during my stay in Delhi.

1. Mr. Christudas and family; for accommodating me in their house and meeting all the needs.

2. Mr. S. Prince and family.

Mr. Prince, who is the director of the Child Evangelism fellowship in Delhi, urged me to stay on and meet the friends for the N.M.S. He was ready to take me around to meet the people, and without his help I would not have been able to meet any one in Delhi.

Mr. Prince is reaching the unreached in the City, especially the children in the slums of Delhi, with the Gospel of Christ. I am very much impressed by his work in reaching the children with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

May the Lord bless these two families and all other friends in Delhi.

After a few days of stay both in Madras and Madurai, I was able to go to Coimbatore and Bangalore, where I met the local secretaries to discuss the work of the N.M.S. branches in their respective places.

The South India Biblical Seminary invited me to give a talk about the N.M.S. at the summer school of Evangelism, during the month of May. With great difficulty I was able to reach Bangarapet in time to address about the N.M.S. to the students at the Summer School of Evangelism. The Summer School of Evangelism is conducted by the S.I.B.S. every year during the month of May for those who are involved in full time and part-time ministry. On behalf of the N.M.S. I am thankful to the board for giving such an opportunity to present the work of N.M.S. I hope that, they will make this as a regular feature in the Summer School of Evangelism. While returning from Banarapet, I was able to visit the friends at K.G.F. Though I went over there without any previous information the Rev. A.D. John willingly accepted me and provided everything needed. On the way to Madras from K.G.F., I could meet the friends of N.M.S. at Ranipet, Thiruparuthikundram and Kancheepuram. At Kancheepuram the Rev. Jeganathan asked me to speak about the N.M.S. to the V.B.S. Teachers and students. At Thiruparuthikundram a night meeting was arranged by the local Secretary Mr. P. Kaniekaraj.

I do want to express my gratitude to the Master who called me to this task. His grace was with me in the past and I am sure. His grace will continue to be with me. The friends are requested to uphold me in their prayers.

From the first week of June. I am asked to move my camping centre for the time being from Madurai to Madras by the Head Quarters. So, the friends are requested to note the change of address and make all the future correspondence to the Head Quarters.

Address as following : Rev. J. M. Jayasingh,
Organising Secretary,
National Missionary Society of India,
102, Peters Road,
Madras—600014.

Thanking you,

Yours in His cause,
J. M. JAYASINGH,
Organising Secretary for S. India.

Great Hymns And Their Authors No. 11

Rev. Dr. George.—R. Duffield- D. D. 1818-1888

Stand up stand up for Jesus

Songs and Solos. 680

This famous church hymn one of the outstanding men's choruses ever written, originated as a result of the unusual death of Rev. D. A. Tyng a young minister of Philadelphia in 1858. It happened that Rev. D. A. Tyng had preached to a group of Y.M.C.A., when Rev. Duffield was present. A few days later Rev. Tyng had gone into a barn where a mule was pulling on a wheel power corn-shelling machine. While patting the mule's neck Tyng's sleeve was caught in the cogs of the wheel and his arm was severed and within 2 hours he died. The following Sunday Dr. Duffield using the dramatic death as an illustration preached a sermon on Ephesians 6-14, which speaks of putting on the armour of God and standing up for Jesus. He closed the sermon by this Hymn which he had composed a couple of days earlier. This hymn was the favourite of C. H. Spurgeon and D. L. Moody and used in all revival meetings with great effect.

E. P. G.

CHRIST WITNESSES IN INDIA

(By Rev. P. J. Thomas. Krupa Nivas, Perumbavoor, Kerala)

7 GEORGE BOWEN.

This is a missionary biography which makes a bit strange but very fascinating reading. But it is most welcome and also extremely necessary for various reasons. It will be of use to those who are giving the Gospel and those who receive it in these ultra-modern days. Due to the failure to obtain the time-honoured Memories or the officially recognized biographies, one has had recourse to gather the pieces of information scattered almost all over the late Dr. Miss. E. G. K. Hewt's masterly work CHRIST AND WESTERN INDIA.

George Bowen was an American missionary who arrived in Bombay in 1848. His name is included among the three outstanding individuals who brought the Christian Gospel to Bombay, the other two being Gordon Hall and John Wilson. It is also mentioned that by George Bowen's coming the Christian forces in India got greatly strengthened, Bowen is described as a spiritual athlete, a free-lance soldier in Christ's army.

Born about 1817 George was a typical, wealthy, New England youth. With no religious training, no parental discipline, no lack of material possessions, the teen-ager was given to language studies and to reading. He was a master of French, Spanish, and Italian. He used to read not less than one hundred and fifty books in a year and to take notes from hundred and five of them. Another thing he was fond of was music and opera shows. He spent a lot of money and time in visiting countries such as France, Switzerland, Italy, Germany and England. He went to Egypt and Palestine and found the last mentioned the most uninteresting! He was said to be an accomplished speaker in French and Italian. His life on the whole was that of a full-fledged dilettante. Further, he declared himself a sceptic or a disbeliever in religious things. He took pride in the fact of his being free from "the shackles of prejudice" regarding revealed religion, which to him was an impossibility.

Then there was a sudden transformation in his whole outlook on life. It was as the result of the passing away of his sweet-heart with whom he was head and shoulders deep in love and who became subject to a wasting disease. He found at last that his rationalism was a poor rag in the face of the tragedies of life. He found himself crying out. "O for some thing to pray to"! The dying lady's parting gift was a copy of the Bible with the request to read it daily and to go to the House of God regularly. Bowen was most obedient on these matters. He also thought his way through the thick darkness. He reached a position which enabled him to say this: "If there is one above all who notices the desires of men I would that He would take notice of this fact that if it pleases Him to make known His will concerning me, I shall think it my highest privilege to do that will, what ever it may be, and what ever it may involve". As a result a deep experience of conversion became his almost immediately and in due course he was baptized on the 9th of June 1845. The characteristically full fledged self-surrender and unreserved dedication was accompanied by a decision to give the life for missionary service.

After three years of equally whole-hearted study at the Union Theological Seminary, New York, George Bowen promptly undertook the journey to the Indian shores. Decision was also taken that there should be no return to the homeland again; to renounce all comforts and to see that it was a life strictly in line with that of Christ. He was convinced that miracles ought to accompany such a life. It is said that an attempt was made to open the eyes of a blind man and that it proved unsuccessful. But the steps toward renunciation were kept up in full force. All salary from the Mission was given up. Mission house should not be his residence. He should live with the people he came to serve. Hard labour

should be the means to earn a livelihood. The spare room of a little mud-walled, mudfloored house with a tree growing out of one of the walls in Wadi Bunder was Bowen's residence for five years. The next five years were spent at Umerkhadi. The stay was with an ex-soldier, and old couple, a pensioner and his wife. Writers have described these steps as Franciscan Madness.

George Bowen's arguments were these; The Mission has been able to gain only six souls in forty years; what is needed is a new St. Paul; why can it be not myself?; what is now wanted is an earthquake in the mission or a church-quake. His life had much of the Christian mystic in it, with its dark night of the soul and full confidence on the other. He was very much on the line of Brother Lawrence in the experience of the PRACTICE OF THE PRESENCE OF GOD. The path throughout was one of self-denial, poverty, homelessness and hunger. During those forty years he received only Rs. 10/- as monthly income, and that was as remuneration for teaching the children of an Anglo-Jewish family. They offered Rs. 25/- but he would take only Rs. 10/- Rs. 8/- was required as room rent and the remaining Rs. 2/- went to meet all his other expenses. There were times when he did not have money to pay the dhoby. There is a moving story of how he entertained the missionaries who gathered in his room for what is called the Missionary Breakfast.

Our hero was a familiar sight in the city of Bombay, visiting schools, selling books, preaching in the open air, but exceedingly hated. He was often struck on the face, pushed about, his hat knocked off, books snatched off, pelted with stones for nearly one fourth of a mile. Despite all these hardships, the outward result of his work were almost nil. Not even a single soul was saved during the first 25 years. The same indifference and hostility outside, and the same inertia and stagnation inside still continued. But he went on "quietly and serenely.

Bowen was a firm believer in street-preaching. On Cocand Sheshadri preached in turn from a red-covered pulpit. But the crowd proved so unruly that the pulpit had to be taken away. Though an unbeliever in schoolwork as a means of evangelism, Bowen found it at last feasible to open a school which he named Seminary. But the home committee saw it as inadmissible and so it had to be closed down.

He remained adamant in his faith in the value of Holy Poverty and carried on his life in the company of rats and mice, lizards and ants. In 1855 he moved to an area called Kamatipur where he got a room 20 feet square, facing the street. The next decade he spent in a corner behind some stacks of books in the Sales Room of the Tract Society, sleeping in summer on the counter with some

paper for pillow. Here is another detail regarding his life. When a friend distressed at his thread-bare shirt gave him Rs. 25/- for new ones, Bowen handed the money to the mission Treasurer and continued wearing the old ones. It is further said that with the monthly income of Rs. 5/- he had absolutely no anxiety. He had no need of using medicine for so many years. He did not even have cold. But head-aches troubled him at times.

When non-christians spoke disparagingly about missionaries some one would point to Bowen. Then the reply would be "But Bowen is different ; we all worship him". The Governor of Bombay used to consult him on educational and religious matters. His visitors included even the British Prince of Wales who came with a word of Royal thanks from the Queen for the blessing and comfort received from Bowen's books.

For amidst that life of extreme renunciation people could hear the delightful and transporting notes from Geoege Bowen's Piano. He found love everywhere. The Bible was to him a Love Letter. The universe was so pressed down and running with Love. The authoress of "Christ and Western India" remarks that he served God with such faith and faithfulness that he did not need the support of visible results.' George Bowen died in 1888.

Reports from the fields

DHANBAD Mr. John Thomas Writes :—

There are more than 30,000 tribal christians in the Bihar plateau and there is no proper organisation to care for them. Two months ago, the operation mobilization worked here and followup work is carried on by them. Religious tracts and leaflets are being distributed. I am preaching the Gospel in different churches and groups of people are listening to our talks cheerfully. I visited nearby villages and preached the Gospel.

BOMBAY Mr. J. P. Ashwal writes :—

I was on tour through the month visiting Sagar, Bangalore and attended the co-ordination conference at Madras. A new worker was appointed for Borivilli where a film show was exhibited. Visited the area committee meetings at Kurla, Vikhroli and Shahar.

BAGESWAR Mr. Bachi Singh Writes :—

A pundit called on me one morning and asked for christian literature. He told me that he was attracted by the Bible verses and is reading it with great interest. Once he told me that the christian religion is the simple and straight way to reach God, which is not found in other religions. I am keeping contacts with him and others. Please pray for him.

BHARATPUR (Rajasthan) the Rev. S.C.P. Tyagi Writes :—

By the grace of God, Bible study is being regularly conducted during the past 7 months. A Gospel campaign was conducted by the Rev. Joel Singh from 25-3-74 to 31-3-74. It was truly the working of the Holy Spirit. Two non-Christians M/s. Laxmi Narayan Sharma, a music teacher, and Ram Ratan Ambesh, a machine fitter, accepted Christ as their Saviour and were baptised by the Rev. Joel Singh. Outside the worship place, the Jansangh people caught Mr. Laxmi and Mr. O. J. David and beat them badly. They are still undergoing treatment, Prayers of N.M.S. friends are requested for this difficult situation. There are other anxious enquirers who are afraid of the Jansangh leaders.

BUTWAL (Nepal) Mr. V.T. Abraham writes :—

I go to Bhairahawa on Sunday and conduct service. On Saturdays we have Nepali Service, and English service, on Wednesday. We have our prayer meetings, on week days when we go for out-reading. During the Holy Week we had a series of meetings in Bhairahawa and on Good Friday I conducted service in English and Malayalam in which Roman Catholics and Protestants participated. On Holy Saturday, Mass was celebrated in which all present, Catholics and Protestants joined. On Easter Day, I invited Hindu friends to my house and gave them dinner which gave me an opportunity to speak to them about Easter Story. Besides we had a sunrise party service followed by a tea party.

MR. PAUL SINGH — N. M. S. Organising Secretary (North India)

Sent appeals for N.M.S. and contacted several people for collecting money for N.M.S. in Jabalpure, Damoh and Khamria. Preached in Ranghi Church about N.M.S. Distributed Gospel tracts, Gospel portion at several centres. On Good Friday, I preached in the E.C.C. Church and showed film "King of Kings" in the Roman Catholic Church.

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While submitting my report for the month of April, I repeat "I thank my God... for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now" Phil. 1:3-5.

Visitation to Villages; Bidarkundi ... 7 times
Kavadimatti ... 1 time

Also I went to Havaragi via Kuloor. There I sold gospel portions and distributed handbills. There I was sorry to know about the death of Shree Dandappa Basappa Katti due to ashtma. He was taking keen interest in accepting Christian literature.

From there I went to Yeragalli. During the distribution of tracts trouble arose as some people were against it. From there I proceeded to Madari where I made acquaintance with the local postmaster, Shri Pojar. After distributing tracts, I started on my return journey, and while passing through Baikura, Hadagali, Amaragoal, Thangadagi. I had to cross river Krishna walking and at Dannur village I did distribution work. Some were hesitating to accept tracts. When I explained 'Eternal Life' title of one tract, many people accepted them. Shri Veeranna Sajjana took me to his house and played host to me. The time was spent in discussing about the word of God.

In all, 447 pamphlets were distributed and 25 gospel portions were sold.

Sunday School — As usual I conducted children's meeting seven times, majority of the children being non-christians.

I also conducted Good Friday and Easter services. The gospel ministry thanks to N.M.S., entered its 4th year of service. Acknowledging God's guidance, we offered our thanksgiving to God for His mercies.

Opposition— Since college students are educated, they display their enmity by their bitter criticism and arguments. However, on the basis of the word of God I gave them proper explanations. It is my request that you please bring these students to the throne of God and pray that they may be guided to read the Scripture and come to the saving knowledge of Christ.

F. S. BHASME.

Matrimonial

We are glad to inform that the General Secretary's eldest son Mr. D. Paul Suthanthirakanthan is getting married with Miss Lydia at Thanjavur on 24th June, 1974. We request the friends to pray for the couple. Those who are able to attend are invited to attend the wedding at Thanjavur.

Erratum: In the May issue of the N.M.I. on Page 7 under the heading co-ordination conference findings No. 3 are to be read as follows:

'That all the participating bodies unanimously affirmed that 'Mission' involves the proclamation of the Gospel by word and deed, instead of 'work and deed'

The Scholarship Fund For The Tribal Students

Dear Friends.

We are happy to publish the scholarship fund account as submitted by the Rev. D. Elias the missionary incharge. On behalf of the society we thank each and every one of the contributors for their keen interest in the tribal work and their help. May God bless them abundantly.

As per the understanding with the missionary it is requested that hereafter those who are contributing for the scholarship fund are kindly requested to send their contribution to Head-quarters indicating 'FOR TRIBAL SCHOLARSHIP'. In this connection we assure the contributors that this fund will only be spent for the education of the tribal boys and girls. Once again we thank the contributors. May God bless you

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,
Sd. K.G.S. DORAIRAJ
General Secretary.

Letter from the Rev. D. Elias, Missionary incharge Jawadhi Hills

Dear Friends in Christ,

Greetings to you in the precious name of our Lord and saviour Jesus Christ. We thank God for helping us to serve under the N.M.S. for the past ten years, in the Jawadhi Hills.

Since the Lord has laid the burden to undertake the education of some tribal boys who are interested in Gospel, we started to help some boys to study from the year 1967. We praise God for His faithfulness to help us in the past seven years. Though in the beginning we had to end in deficit we launched out in faith. The Lord has honoured our faith and met all our needs from time to time through His children and now we have a balance.

As a result of our humble efforts and the faithful prayers and support of His children, the Lord has raised some young boys to accept Christ as their personal saviour. Two of them have committed their lives for fulltime ministry among their own people

and they are undergoing theological training one at Bangarapet S.I.B.S. and the other at H.B.I. in Madras. We want to extend our heartfelt thanks to all the friends who have prayed and contributed towards the scholarship fund regularly. The account for the year April 1973 to March 1974 is given below.

I am so happy that the N.M.S. has come forward to undertake this project. So, I humbly request all the contributors to send in future their contributions directly to the Headquarters, of the N.M.S. specially indicating as for 'TRIBAL CHILDREN SCHOLARSHIP FUND'

With best wishes,

Yours in His Love,
Rev. D. Elias
N.M.S. Missionary

Scholarship account Income and Expenditure from April 1973 to March, 1974 as submitted by the Rev. D. Elias, Missionary Incharge, Jawadhi Hills.

Income

Opening Balance as on 1—4—73	526	73
Mr. A. Sobanam, Munnar Thro' N.M.S. Branch	200	00
„ James Edith, Munnar	110	00
„ James Archibold. Munnar	260	00
Miss T. Gloribai, Pondicherry	152	00
„ S. Joel	10	00
Mr. Patric Samuel, Ooty	165	00
„ Sunder Jacob, Trivandrum	60	00
Mrs. H. Jacob	38	00
Mr. Sam Nathaniel, Trivandrum	10	00
Mrs. J. Mabel, Cohikulam	95	00
Mr. S. Ratnaraj, Vadakkankulam	55	00
„ P. Paulraj, Nagercoil	120	00
Prayer Group, Kanchiracode	275	00
Theological students, T. T. S. Arasarady	250	00
Students of Summer School, S.I.B.S. Bangarapt	9	00
Mr. T. S. Monickam, Salem	35	00

Mr. J. S. Premkumar, Ranipet	200	00
Mrs. T. S. Justus, Alangayam	10	00
„ Hilda Samuelraj, Madras	50	00
„ Jayaseeli James, Madras	20	00
Mr. Robertson, Kalyanamanthai	15	00
Rev. D. Elias, Jamnamarathur	196	00
Total	2861	73

Expenses

To K. Boochi for school fees & other expenses	311	90
G. Raman for the period he worked in the hills at Oomayanputhur & his pocket money	730	00
Vetharaj Daniel	95	00
Jayaraj Samuel	187	00
Goundan	47	00
N. K. Peter	115	00
Chinnasamy	15	00
Poonusamy	130	00
Krishannmoorthy	114	50
Kasi	10	00
Gopal, Ramasamy	25	75
Govindaraj and Devendran	13	00
Ponnan	16	00
T. A. & other expenses to Tanjore to G. Raman Krishnamurthy, Poonusamy and Andythatha	80	00
Postage	19	20
M.O. Commission	14	00
C.Y.M. Malar	35	00
Thongumalai and Nadanur Students	50	00
Remitted to the N.M.S. office	270	00
Total	2278	35

Income	2861	73
Expense	2278	35

Balance in hand
with the missionary
incharge. 583 38

Rs. 400/- remitted to the Head
Quarters in the month of
May 1974.

Subscriptions Received for the Month of April, 1974

Uttar Pradesh

	Rs.	P.
Thro' Mr. M. S. Gilbert, Rae Bareilly	38	00
Thro' Mr. J. Das, Kanpur branch	50	00
Mrs. D. Khoker, U.P.	33	50
	121	50

Delhi

	Rs.	P.
The Presbyter, Green Park, Church, Delhi	50	00
Thro' Mr. Francis Pershad Delhi Branch	282	88
Mr. B. C. Ghose, New Delhi	20	00
Mrs. Daniel	50	00
	402	88

Bihar

	Rs.	P.
Mr. W. Williamson, Motighil	10	00
Mr. D. A. Sigamony, Jamshedpur	10	00
	20	00

Orissa

	Rs.	P.
Mr. J. K. Das, Cuttack	5	00
„ Misra, Jatni	5	00
	10	00

Maharashtra

	Rs.	P.
Thro' M. J. P. Ashwal towards the salary of Mr. Bhasme	244	00
Byculla Central	99	00
Kurla	22	00
Bandra	17	00
Borivilli praye roffertory	8	40

Thro' Mrs. A. Bidari,
Kolhapur

	Rs.	P.
Mr. S. Feters	10	00
Dr. E. R. Bidari	20	00
Dr. Miss. B. Bidari	10	00
Mrs. S. M. Rubdi	7	00
Miss. K. Basuthkar	4	00

	Rs.	P.
Mr. H. Eikos	4	00
„ S. Ranbhise	4	00
Mrs. L. Chandran	2	00
Mr. M. Wagmare	2	00
„ S. Gaikwad	2	00
Mrs. S. Malap	2	00
Mr. Y. S. Potdar	1	00
Miss. M. Thomas	1	00
Mr. Y. S. Kambie	0	50
Mrs. R. Kamble	1	00
„ S. Samudre	0	25
Miss. M. Nadugadhi	2	00
Mrs. I. P. Savant	2	00
„ R. Bidari	5	25
	470	40

Gujarat

Miss. B. Dewaji, Sawrashtra	300	00
Mr. William Kalrawala, Khanpur	20	00

Madhya Pradesh

	Rs.	P.
Dr. A. M. Daniel, Durg	80	00
Mr. S. Lall	20	00
Mrs. Jacob, Katni	5	00
	105	00

Kerala

	Rs.	P.
Thro' Rev. D. P. Godwin Kattakada	60	25
Thro' Mr. A. Wilson Munnar branch	660	00
Mr. D. J. Stanley, Quilon	12	00
„ A. Yesudas	10	00
„ Robinson Cruesoe	10	00
„ E. J. Abraham	5	00
„ S. Paulraj	5	00
„ K. T. John	12	00
	774	25

Mysore

	Rs.	P.
Presbyter St. Johns Church contribution from St. Johns gift day	100	00
Mrs. K. Watsa, Mysore	5	00
Rev. P. J. Thomas, Honavar	10	00

	Rs.	P.		Rs.	P.
Mrs. Mabel Paul	60	00	" G. Stephens	12	00
Miss. Savanagauder, Hubli	10	00	" R. J. Christian	12	00
	185	00	" John Dsilva	12	00
Madras City			" A. G. George	12	00
The Headmistress, Bains			" P. M. Thomas	12	00
School, Kilpauk	65	50	" A. J. Clement	12	00
Mr. A. Alfred Vetharaj	16	00	" Irwin Aaron	12	00
Thro' Mrs. Joy Pandian	15	50	" R. T. Moorthy	12	00
Mr. J. F. Devaraj, Adyar	53	50	" A. Paul Durairaj	12	00
" E. A. Pitchaipillai	103	50	Rev. M. Frank Simon	12	00
Mrs. Dorairaj	305	00	Mrs. Ida Mony	12	00
Mr. G. Solomon	9	00	" E. Albert	12	00
Mrs. Stella Moses	10	00	" Helen Stephen	12	00
Mr. E. Paul Gnanabaranam	482	00	Miss. Joyce Paul	12	00
" R. Joseph	215	00	Mr. D. G. Moses	12	00
" D. S. Dharmaraj	221	00	" J. H. Karkada	10	00
" V. S. Muthiah	12	00	" Robert Paul	10	00
Mr. J. A. Arthur	10	00	" R. G. Jacob	6	00
Mrs. L. Dawson	6	00	" Francis Dawson	6	00
Mr. U. Matthew	12	00	" G. E. Joseph	6	00
Mrs. Iris Arnold	12	00	Mrs. B. Morlin	6	00
Mr. S. Arulraj	12	00	Mr. M. R. J. Daniel	6	00
" J. P. Moses	10	00	" S. Vincent	5	00
" Mary Chandy	20	00	" H. Wheeler	5	00
Mr. & Mrs. Bright Singh	101	00	Mrs. Esther Samuel	5	00
Mr. G. Asirvatham	9	00	Mr. R. S. David	5	00
Mrs. G. G. James	12	00	Mrs. J. G. Jesudason	5	00
Miss. N. Prabavathy	1	00	Mr. S. P. Selvaraj	3	00
" Rajamoni	1	00	" J. D. Devadoss	3	00
" J. Thangasamy	1	00	" Alwyn Paul	8	00
Mr. E. Lazarus	2	00	" S. D. P. Chelladurai	15	00
" T. Ambrose Jayasekaran	5	00	Mrs. Dhanaraj	5	00
" W. Prakash	2	00	Mr. S. Jone	3	00
" A. Abraham	10	00	Miss. Kanakaratham	10	00
Dr. S. M. Augustine	10	00	Mr. E. S. Paul	20	00
Mr. Daniel David	10	00	" M. B. Swamidoss	12	00
" Samuel	1	00	" S. Thangiah	8	00
" John Mani	30	00	Miss. V. Swamidoss	15	00
" Y. Devadoss	5	00	Mr. G. T. Chelliah	6	00
" M. Gnanaraj	5	00	Mrs. G. Immanuel	1	00
" S. Manuelraj	5	00	Mr. P. S. Dorairaj	10	00
" Balasundram	5	00	" Sam Sathanandam	10	00
" D. David	3	00	Mr. & Mrs. J. Royappa	5	00
" S. Paul	3	00	Mr. D. Andrews	12	00
" V. Alexander	3	00	Mr. Mrs. Devadoss	5	00
Miss. P. Yogitha	10	00	Mr. Alwyn Paul	4	00
Mr. J. M. J. Samuel	12	00	" S. Thangiah	4	00
Dr. D. Rajasekaran	5	00	Mrs. G. Immanuel	6	00
Mr. J. O. Issac	30	00	Mr. Victor Pandian	10	00
" R. W. Thyagarajan	12	00	Mrs. Stanley Daniel	6	00
" A. V. Prasad	12	00	Miss. Smith	10	00
" B. Baskar	12	00	Mr. A. Vetharaj	1	00
" A. Wencelans	12	00	" I. J. Edwin, Tiruvella	12	00
" Stephens	12	00	" R. Devandran	5	00
" N. J. Nathan	12	00	" Victor Immanuel	10	00
			" N. K. Ratnam	3	00
			" C. Arulanandam	100	00

	Rs.	P.
„ D. Jayaraj	10	00
Dr. Jayapaul Azariah	10	00
Mr. M. S. Dulceep Singh	10	00
	2450	00

Prayer Meeting Collection

Mr. R. Balasubramaniam	43	00
Madras-2		
	43	00

North Tamil Area

The Presbyter, Christ Church, Gandhipuram	274	50
Thro' Mr. Jason Jayaraj Kancheepuram	34	00
Tha Headmistress Ebenezer Aided School	17	00
Thro' Rt. Rev. Henry Lazarus Ashram School collection	30	00
Thro' Miss. Glory Mark	48	50
Alice	48	00
Thro' Mrs. C. Arthur	55	00
Mrs. I. Charles	5	00
Mr. P. V. Matthew	5	00
Mrs. L. Johnson	5	00
Mr. J. Daniel	12	00
" S. David	10	00

Thro' Miss. Arthur, Salem

Mrs.	Annie Ratnam	6	00
"	R. G. Abraham	2	50
"	Arthur Wellington	3	00
"	C. Chelliah	0	50
Mr.	Chairmandurai	6	00
Dr. Mrs.	Deenadayalan	3	00
"	M. Devanesan	6	00
Mrs.	Durairaj	7	00
"	Duraipandian	6	00
"	Devasagayam	3	00
"	G. J. Dawson	6	00
"	M. Ebenezer	3	00
"	Esther Ebenezer	3	00
"	S. Edward	3	00
"	V. Ebenezer	4	00
"	A. Ezekiel	3	00
"	K. Gurubatham	6	00
"	E. J. Gainnees	6	00
"	Girsilda	3	00
"	C. J. Honibald	6	00
"	J. A. James	3	50
"	A. Kiruba	6	00

	Rs.	P.
„ Leena Manoharan	3	00
„ Lalitha John	6	00
„ Melba Charles	2	00
„ Maragatham		
„ Gnnayutham	3	00
„ A. Manuel	3	00
Mr. Monsingh Arthur	3	00
Mrs. L. R. Natarajan	6	00
„ L. Peter	6	00
„ P. Prabalanathen	6	00
„ F. Pandiaraj	6	00
Dr. Mrs. L. Purushothman	6	00
Miss. Peters	3	50
„ Rani Flora	6	00
Mrs. Royappan	3	50
„ Ratnaraj	3	00
„ Raja Nannuba	3	00
„ Rajaratnam	6	00
Dr. Mrs. Rajaratnam	6	00
Mrs. Ruby Rock Samuel	3	50
„ Rajasingh	3	00
„ R. Rajasingh	6	00
„ Ruby Victor	3	00
„ Sarojini Stephenraj	2	50
„ Sugirtham Samuel	2	50
„ Shanti Muthyya	6	00
„ R. Selvaraj	6	00
„ Suganthi Amaladason	5	50
„ Stella James	6	00
Mr. Samuel	6	00
Mrs. V. T. Thomas	3	00
„ Vedamuthu	6	00
„ M. Zachariah	3	50
„ Williams	4	00
„ Monickam	3	00
Mr. Stanley Jones	10	00
Miss. R. Pushpam	4	00
	804	00

South Tamil Area

The Treasurer, C.S.I. Karur Town Church	100	00
Thro' Mr. John Samuel Ramnad collections	40	00
Thro' Mr. Y. Packiamoni Nazareth collections	100	00
Thro' Miss. P. Dharmaraj Woriyur, Meth. Girls School	36	00
Mr. S. D. P. Karunakaran, Trichirapalli	10	00
Thro' Mrs. Rosalind Herbert All Saints senior basic school	11	00

Rs.	P.	Birthday Gift	Rs.	P.
5	00			
1	00			
1	00	Mr. G. Daniel, Bangalore	10	00
5	00	„ A. C. Ralph, Allahabad	5	00
5	00			
10	00		15	00
12	00			
15	00			
10	00	Life Membership Fee		
			Rs.	P.
		Mr. D Paul Suthanthira		
5	00	Kanthan, Madras-14	100	00
58	40	Dr. Mrs. L. Thambiah	100	00
5	00	Mr. M. D. Selvaraj	100	00
6	88			
5	00		300	00
5	00			
5	00	Special Receipts		
5	00			
10	00		Rs.	P.
10	00	Treasurer N.M.S. Dindugul		
25	00	branch towards Bihar		
25	00	work	250	00
25	00			
		Towards Purl Library		
3	00	Work		
10	00			
6	00	Mrs. J. W. Johnson,		
20	00	Madurai	26	00
5	00	Mr. Premkumar, Ranipet	150	00
10	00	Thro' Mr. Fletcher N.M.S.		
		Trivandrum Branch	1000	00
634	88	Mr. G. Kurkada, Udipi	100	00
		„ C. P. Munusamy,		
		Quilon	100	00
		„ A. T. Salis, Bombay	30	00
		„ Koshy, Kumbakanam	30	00
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Dates: 12-14th, July, 1974.

Place: UNION HIGH SCHOOL—COIMBATORE.

Speaker: Mr. K. P. Mathai, M.A., B.D., M. Th.,

Inaugural

address: Rt. Rev. J. Thangamuthu, B.A., B.T., B.D.,
Bishop-Coimbatore Diocese,
and
Patron-N.M.S. Branch-Coimbatore.

Theme: 'Christ and His Followers'.

The Churches and the N.M.S. branches are requested to send their representatives. Any one who is interested in the missionary work can come and participate. Our Missionaries from different fields will be sharing about the work of the N.M.S.

PRAY

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MATTERS FOR THANKSGIVING.

1. Thank God for the openings which the Lord has given to Mr. John Thomas in Dhanbad.
2. Praise God for His work in the Gospel campaign which has taken place in Rajasthan by the Rev. S. C. P. Tyagi (our Missionary) and the Rev. Joel Singh and for the two persons who have accepted Christ as their Lord.
3. Praise God for the meetings conducted in the N.M.S. centres during the Easter week and the new contacts which the Lord has given to them during the Easter Season.
4. Praise God for His guidance in the work we were able to do at Mudhebiha. Four years of work has been completed.
5. Praise God for the opening which the Lord has given to work in Puri and for the model congregation which the Lord has established in Puri.
6. Praise God for the life and witness of the Church in Puri among the non-christians in that town.
7. Thank God for the faithfulness of God in helping us to see the fruit of our labour in all the centres.

MATTERS OF PRAYERS

1. Pray for the newly started work in Dhanbad in Bihar that the Lord may guide Mr. John Thomas to reach the un-reached.
2. Pray for the Pundit who is interested in the Gospel, in Bageshwar. As Mr. Bachisingh contacts him, the Lord may help the Pundit to accept Christ as His God and Saviour.
3. Pray for the two new converts in Bharatpur, so that they may be strengthened in their faith. Their names are in the field reports under Bharatpur.
4. Pray for the other enquirers in Bharatpur and in all N.M.S. fields.
5. Pray for the Non-Christian friends who were contacted by Mr. V. T. Abraham on Easter Sunday.
6. Pray for the organising Secretaries. These are the days when travelling is very difficult, so they need your prayers.
7. Pray for the General Secretary, since he has a heavy load to carry, both the office administration and deputation work.
8. Pray for the work in Muddebihal. Mr. Frankline Bashme who is working there is facing opposition from the orthodox college students. Pray that these college students may come to Christ.
9. Pray for the work in Puri and for the Library building work, so that the Lord, may supply the needed funds for it.
10. Pray for the Rev. Paul Sanjeevi, Mr. and Mrs. Rosiah and the 3 teachers and for our honorary worker Mr. K. Koteswara Rao, that they may be empowered by the power from above to do the task faithfully.
11. Pray for the Triennial Conference of the N.M.S. which will be held at Bangalore from 10-13 October, 1974.
12. Pray for the North Tamil Area conference which will be held at the Union High School in Coimbatore from 12-14th of July, 1974. Your prayers are requested for the speaker, participants and the arrangements committee at Coimbatore.

TRIENNIAL CONFERENCE

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Editor's Note

According to the scheme of introducing to the readers, supporters, and friends of the society, a centre of N.M.S. work each month and to give a proper knowledge of that centre, this issue is devoted for the West Bengal project, at NEBOGRAM. To state correctly this centre of work is at Malligachi-next village to Nebo-gram. So, it would be right to call this project as Malligachi than Nebogram.

West Bengal is the birth place of the National Missionary Society of India. Because of the appalling need for evangelising India and the surrounding countries, the delegates from the Indian churches met at Serampur (Srirampur) on 25th December 1905, in the library of the famous missionary William Carey and they were lead to form the National Missionary Society of India with the main object of winning India for Christ. The visitors to the Serampur College library can still see the signatures of the founders of the Society in the "Visitors' Book" of the library.

As early as in 1910, St. Andrews Mission was established at the Market town called Haluaghat in East Bengal-the present Bangladesh, to work among the tribal 'Garos' of Assam Hills. It was a new venture of the Bengal Christians and it was fully supported by them. It was affiliated to the N.M.S. So the Bengal christians' interest was on that project.

With the partition of the country in 1947, this work was handed over to the Dacca diocese and the N.M.S. had no connection with the project because of the political situation which prevailed then. But the Bengal Christians continued their interest and support, inspite of many difficulties. Some still continue to do so. We are happy about it.

After the Andrews Mission, we had no project in West Bengal and the interest of the christians in the missionary activity was lessened to that extent. So, the West Bengal area committee came in with the suggestion to start a project in West Bengal. Thus the Malligachi project was born.

I am very happy to hear from the secretary of the Bengal area committee that steps are being taken to collect funds to put the worker's house at Malagachi, in good repair. We are thankful to the area committee for its endeavour. May God bless their efforts. But, we need more resource to equip the project with musical instruments, light etc.

The details of the project is published elsewhere. The friends are requested to pray for the success of the project and to give enough financial support, especially the Bengal friends to run the project effectively. Malligachi is truly an unreached place.

Message

Lovest thou me.....Feed my lambs. John 21:15.

This is one of the most touching post-resurrection incident recorded only by St. John. This scene must have been indelibly printed in the mind of Peter.

The 21st Chapter follows chapter 20 where the narrative is almost complete. The 21st Chapter comes in as an appendix. The purpose seems to be to make the Resurrection a reality. The incidents recorded in this chapter are in such detail that it establishes, beyond doubt, that the resurrection is not a vision but a fact.

There is a reasonable curiosity to know as to why Jesus repeated the call to Peter 3 times. The surmise that Jesus did so to remind Peter of his 3 denials, does not take us deep enough. Dr. David Rigby of the Birmingham Theological college states, that it is possible that Jesus while repeating His calls would have suggestively waved His hands in 3 directions. In the first instance, He would have shown His hand towards the meals He had prepared on the beach and said 'Simon do you love me more than these meaning thereby 'Peter do you love me more than your worldly wants, food, raiment etc. For a little warmth round the fire, you denied me.' "Are you willing to give up your attachment to these things to become my disciple?" In the second instance; Jesus would have shown His hands towards the sea, the boats, and the nets, meaning thereby 'Peter son of Jonas do you love me more than these (i.e.) a good career, steady job, and a decent living. In the third instance Jesus would have shown His hands towards the other disciples 'Peter son of Jonas Lovest thou me more than your fellow disciples. Does your social attachment stand in your

way of following me? A few days ago you protested that even if all would desert me you would never part with me. The cumulative effect of the appeals and the never-to-be-forgotten numeral 3, shattered the rock-Peter, and with tears in his eyes, a broken man, he exclaimed, 'Lord you know all things'.

To us today, the same call comes with tender force and appeal, 'Do, we, as followers of Him, love Him more than our food, raiments, and wordly satisfaction? Are we loving Jesus more than our work, our possessions, which give us security, comforts, ease or are we having our attachment to our loved ones wife, children etc. more than that to our Lord?

Jesus in His final appeal to Peter says. "Feed my lambs". Loving Jesus is no sentimental feeling towards Him. To His call of love, He added a task, a service. 'The call' 'Feed my lambs' brought a cross in the end. We must be prepared for that too. Are We?

E.P.G.

A Brief Note On St. Andrew Mission, Haluaghat, East Bengal.

Among the indigenous Christian efforts in dynamic India, the St. Andrew Mission holds a unique place. A small band of consecrated Indian men and women lived in simple grass huts followed a frugal life and received neither salary nor allowance. Their work was among the tribal Garos of the Assam Hills. Few Europeans had ventured into this wild and rugged area for the cart-road to Haluaghat was as uncertain as it was adventurous. It was to this field that our survey of N.M.S. centres led us.

In 1910, Babu Joynath Chowdhry began an independent work among the forty thousand Garos in the Mymensingh District of East Bengal, which was eventually recognized by the Lord Bishop of Calcutta. When Chowdhry died, the work was continued by the Oxford University Mission who chose Haluaghat, a market place, twenty-seven miles north of Mymensingh town as their headquarters. The work took them among various hill-tribes-Hajongs, Dalus, Banais and Garos. In 1912, a group of Indian men felt that the call to unite themselves into a society that was called the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. They concentrated their efforts among the Garos. The Sevak leader, the Rev. Father M. C. Chakravarti, gave up a remunerative Calcutta

church post in order to dedicate his life in this brotherhood of loving service. The members of the Brotherhood receive food and clothing, but no salary from the N.M.S. The object of the Brotherhood was to express the ideal of Christian service in an Indian cultural pattern.

Father Chakravarti attended the conference of the National Missionary Society of India; held in Bangalore in 1920, as a guest. He was deeply moved by the range of activity and indigenous experiments of this all India society.

Father Chakravarti of Haluaghat, Doctors Jesudason and Paton of Tirupattur and Father Jack C. Winslow of the Poona Ashram, each knew that their respective organization could proceed on an isolated and autonomous basis ; but they each independently recognised that the N.M.S stood for something big—the development of an Indian church through co-operative action. Affiliation provided discipline, fellowship and united effort.

The result of Chakravarti's visit to the Bangalore Conference was that Mr. P.O. Phillip, the General Secretary visited Haluaghat in 1921 and reported to the Executive that the St. Andrew's Mission should be considered the Society's field in Bengal. The affiliation of St. Andrew's Mission to the N.M.S, was hailed as a notable event, a year later. It brought Father M. C. Chakravarti; and his four associates, the Revs. A.K. Panja, A B. Balcomb; S. C. Paroi, and S. K. Chatterjee, into organic relation with an all-India Society eager to encourage and promote experiments in the area of Indigenization, It also strengthened the cause of the N.M.S, The Calcutta Provincial Committee considered Haluaghat its special field, and raised the funds for this mission.

The Lord Bishop of Calcutta visited the Mission annually in order to confirm candidates and baptized adult converts.

**Thus St. Andrew Mission was the forerunner of the
Nebogram Project**

With the partition of the country in 1947, the work was handed over to the Dacca Diocese, in the East Pakistan (now Bangladesh). Still some of the Bangaiee christians give their unstinted support to the Andrew's Mission by their prayer and contribution.

K.G.S.D.

West Bengal—Nebogram (Malligachi)

The state of the West Bengal is politically important and historic. It is also religiously important, as the National Missionary Society of India, as an instrument of God, to revive the Indian Church to realise her mission, was born in that state. The very idea of 'Church Union movement' was born in that state. Hence the state of West Bengal is important spiritually for the Christians. Hence, we are happy to have a project in the state of West Bengal at MALLIGACHI.

After independence, though the state was partitioned, it still has its importance in the political field. For us-the National Missionary Society, it is a great concern because out of the total population of 4,43,12,011, the christians are 2,15,752, having a percentage of 0.57.

The N.M.S. centre of work is about 50 kilo meters in the South West direction of Calcutta, in Howrah district. The first idea was to start the work at Nebogram but later, it was shifted to the next village called MALLIGACHI. That is why the project is still known by the name of Nebogram. There are two ways of approach to that village. One by bus about 40 k.ms. Then cross the Hoogli river by boat and walk two and a half miles to reach the village. The other route by suburban train from Howrah to Ulubaria and from there take a bus to a place called Cochamukh and walk two miles along the river Damodar Bund to reach the site. During the rainy season, it is difficult to reach the place and on other times you are not sure to get a bus. Last time when the General Secretary visited the place, there was no bus service, So, he and his companion had to travel by cycle rickshaw. So, this travelling inconvenience hinders the close co-operation between the area committee and the worker. I was given to understand that there were no churches or Christians, except a single congregation of Church of God at Ulubaria in the distance of 73 miles and its surrounding. Hence this is really an unreached and unreachable place and so this project is true to the object of the N.M.S. to reach the unreached.

Our centre is situated in a place called Malligachi. The village population is composed of Hindus and Muslims. The people are very backward in all respects.

The idea of starting work in this place came from Rev. Father Chaterjee of Oxford Brotherhood. He had a very good plan to start the work on Ashram basis, proposing to live there and work. Unfortunately he was not allowed to do so, because of his indifference health. There was a lull because of the difficulty of finding a proper worker and resource for the project. Hence there was some

delay. One Muslim friend who promised us a gift of a piece of land, withdrew his offer, but a Hindu friend by name of Chowdary gave us a gift of a piece of land for evangelical-social work, which was registered in the name of the N.M.S. We have got workers in Mr. P.R. Gupta and his wife. He is a theologically trained middle aged man.

A building (27' X 10') consisting of a hall for meeting and a room for the worker to live in, was built up on the gift land. The nature of the land was such that we had to put up a permanent structure with bricks and mortar. We have spent Rs. 6,500/- including Rs. 3000/- donated by Mrs. Dwaragabri, Hyderabad and Rs. 3500/- raised locally by the Area Committee. But due to the lack of conveyance facilities and the rise in cost of building materials, the building is not yet complete. It needs plastering and flooring. The land around the house is cultivable, if some work of removing the outer layer of soil is done and if the land is fenced. This needs an expenditure of approximately Rs. 1000/- If we spend this money, we will get some income annually. So, for the building to be put in proper condition needs some more expenditure, of Rs. 2000/-. This needs to be done during this year. The project also needs more equipment, such as petromax light, musical instruments and some pieces of furniture. The evangelist Mr. P. R. Gupta is a sincere worker, but he needs encouragement, providing equipment for his work and extending christian fellowship, as there are no christian friends round about.

During the short period, the evangelist had led some people to Christ who are waiting to be baptised. Hence, it is a fruitful ground.

The General Secretary made the following suggestions; during his visit :—

1. The evangelist to be invited to attend the area committee and to give a report, which will keep the area committee informed of the work done.
2. This work may be put under the supervision and guidance of Mr. Solomon Biswas at Ulubaria, who is the nearest christian to have fellowship with the evangelist to encourage and guide him in his work.
3. The area committee to issue brochures and distribute the same among the churches to enlist the financial support for the project.

We specially thank the Tamil St. Saviour's Church for the enthusiastic, undiminished support by a large contribution. We are very happy to hear that the area committee is taking steps to

get financial support by having 'Get together' meetings of their christians. We also thank the Marthoma Church of Calcutta for their co-operation.

N.B. The pictures that are displayed were taken at the time of construction.

K.G.S.D.

Nebogram (Malligachi) —N.M.S. Fields in West Bengal.

An Historical Back-Ground Of The Nebogram

(Malligachi) Project.

By Mr. D. Mitra—Hon. Secretary of the W. Bengal
Area Committee.

In response to the invitation by the local people, both Hindus and Muslims (there are no Christians), the West Bengal Area Committee decided to start an Evangelistic cum social service Centre in Nebogram village in Howrah District of West Bengal, in the year 1967. The committee further decided to depute its worker, Mr. Robin Ghosh to go and work in Nebogram and its adjoining villages, He was further instructed to supervise the activities of the social service centre, which consisted chiefly in distributing milk to over 250 children and sick persons daily. During the wide spread floods in Howrah District (occurred twice) within a course of 4 years between 1967 to 1970) when nearly 40 villages were washed out by the turbulent river, Damodar, the members of N.M.S., West Bengal Committee with the help of the N.C.C. Relief Agency, C.A.S.A., distributed clothes and food to the hungry and naked people of Uluberia sub-division, Howrah.

It may, however, be pointed out here that along with Relief and Social Service work, our N.M.S. worker, Mr. Robin Ghosh distributed tracts and Gospels to the local people. But before any kind of work was started in Nabogram, the local people and their representative Dr. A.B. Chowdhary approached us with the request that the N.M.S. should open a field in Nabogram and offered to donate land for its evangelistic and social service work. After much hesitation, debates, and discussion which continued for nearly 5 years, finally, the West Bengal N.M.S. Committee agreed to take 4 bighas of land freely donated by a Hindu friend and after registration of the same in the name of the All India N.M.S., the title deed of the land was handed over by the undersigned to the All India N.M.S. through its General Secretary, the Rev. K. G. S. Dorairaj in the year 1971.

Now the biggest hurdle faced by the West Bengal N.M.S. Area Committee was-how to put up a small building which could be used for its worker's residence and a place of worship for the enquirers and children. At this critical juncture in the history of Nabogram project, God Almighty, moved the heart of a good and kind lady



Our workers Mr. & Mrs. P. R. Gupta

from Hyderabad—Dr. (Mrs) Dwarkabai, who generously donated Rs. 3000/- towards putting up a building on the site. The West Bengal N.M.S. committee on its part, raised a special Nabogram Building Fund amounting to Rs. 4000/- and with the total amount of 7000/- a small building of 2 rooms and a verandah was erected in the year 1973. However, due to increased cost of materials such as cement, bricks, wooden doors and windows as well as increased cost of labour, the plastering of the building and provision of a kitchen and a bathroom could not be finished.

At this time (i.e) April 1973 a theologically trained evangelist named Mr. P. R. Gupta who was then working under The Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Mission in Orissa, was appointed by the

N.M.S. Head quarters on the recommendation of the West Bengal Area Committee. Mr. and Mrs. Gupta came over to Nabogram as N.M.S. evangelist and worker, with effect from 1st June '73.

We thank gracious and merciful God in guiding the work of Nabogram and inspring His servant there with His Holy spirit. For within a very short course of 7 months, 8 persons, including a married couple, are ready and eager to take baptism after giving written undertaking that they are not changing their faiths for any material gains, whatsoever, and that they accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour for redemption and salvation. The N.M.S. West Bengal Committee has now decided to take early steps to see that these people are duly baptised and a new congregation of the faithfuls is launched in Nabogram under the supervision of N.M.S. in co-operation of the Uluberia church of God Mission, situated about 35 Kilometers from Calcutta. I am sure by God's guidance and with the help and co-operation of the local churches and different denominations of Calcutta and West Bengal we shall be able to lay the foundation of a "New Isapanthi Ashram" at Nabogram with a small chapel for worship and a community Hall for spiritual and material needs of the hungry and the down-trodden people of the area. May we, request our N.M.S. friends and members elsewhere to kindly pray for the Nabogram N.M.S. Field and for its evangelist and worker, Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Gupta so that Almighty and Loving God might richly bless them in their difficult task of taking forward the gospel of God News and salvation to the people who have had no chance in that part of hearing the message of redeeming love and sacrifice of our Lord Jesus Christ for the salvation of mankind.

Reports from the N.M.S. Fields and requests for Prayers

JAWADHI HILLS :

Jamanamarathur :—The Rev. D. Elias writes :

As the result of the special meetings, a group of people from distant places attended the Sunday services on Sundays at Jamana-marathur. F.G.Y.M.A. group's first batch visited the Jawadhi Hills from 10th to 12th of May. The second batch came from 1st June. You are kindly requested to pray for the people who listened to the Gospel.

During the last month, I visited Oomaiianputhur and visited Pattikudisai Village, along with the workers at Oomainputhur, where we met the leaders of that area. They had gathered for

purification of a man who was judged by them as unclean according to the tribal rules and regulations. We were with them at their ceremonial cleansing service and had the privilege of presenting Christ as the Perianattan, who came to this world to cleanse us from all our sins and make us holy. The whole group eagerly heard the Gospel. Please continue to remember these people, who live in sin that they may find Christ as their Redeemer.

Veerapanoor :—Mr. A. Thiraviam Writes :

As usual, I visited the surrounding villages and preached the Gospel and conducted the night school at Veerapanoor. I go over to the Pudupattu panchayat Union Elementary School and teach about the love of God to the children.

Please pray for Boopathy, daughter of Kuzhanthai Gounder, who is suffering from body pain and is weeping. She has taken so many medicines but found no cure. She needs healing and Christ too.

Oomaianputhur :—Mr. K. R. William writes :

The people of Oomaianputhur are afraid of us. There are two reasons for this. 1. The fire accident which took place in the plains. 2. hearing that the children were being kidnapped in other places. The parents are not sending children to the school.

One man asked me why these things are happening. I told him that, these kind of thing will be happening during the last days of the world and it is said so in the Bible. Suddenly he told 'I am afraid of you, sir, because you might have done this and you have come here to kidnap our children. I told him of our intention. So, friends are requested to pray that the misunderstandings may be cleared and the people may accept Christ as their Lord and Saviour.

This centre has to be closed because of the attitude of the people and refusal to give the house for rent or to sell the piece of land. Another centre may be opened soon in its place.

Nandanoor :... Mr. S. Gnanamuthu writes :

The bamboo on this side of the hill had been cut on contract. The contract was over with March 31st, 1974. So, for another five years no lorries will come to Nandanoor. This makes it inconvenient for the people to go up and down the hill from Amirthi side, specially for our workers to go up and down for purchasing the provision, postages etc. One trip down to Vellore to get provision costs double the expense incurred previously.

The St. John's church—Vellore friends visited us under the leadership of Dr. Job. They are willing to build a chapel and a dispensary building. Due to the regular preaching of the Gospel, by me, the visit of St. John's church friends and the prayers of many who stand behind, it is very clear that the Lord is moving among the people in this particular area. The people themselves are telling that 'Jesus Christ is helping us in day-to-day life.

I have admitted a man called Koiloor Chinnannan at the Karigiri Leprosy Hospital. He is getting better. Please pray for him. Kindly pray for the regular visit of the St. John's Church friends. May the people of this area be benefitted by their visit.

At the beginning of May, the General Secretary of N.M.S., Rev. K. G. S. Dorairaj, visited this area and I was encouraged. A nurse Miss Saramma George is appointed to work in this centre from 12th June 1974.

Jamanamarathur :—Mrs. Madhurabai Victor writes :

Please pray for the patients who have received the medical help and heard the Gospel during the month. People who came for treatment had severe attack of high fever, bronchitis with cold, dysentery and difficult breathing, were treated by God's grace. So, praise be to Him.

Alleri :—Mr. A. C. Nayagam and Mr. Stanley write :

We had our regular night and day school works along with visiting the villagers in the same village where we live and move to the neighbouring villages. The General Secretary, of N.M.S., Rev. K. G. S. Dorairaj, visited this area at the beginning of May. His visit made us cheerful and it was a pleasure for us to have him with us for two days. The F.G.Y.M.A. friends visited this area and the evil spirits were cast out from two people. This helped the people to believe in Jesus.

Your prayers are coveted on behalf of these people who were freed from the bondage of the evil spirits. One Chinnaponnu and her family have put their trust in Christ. Please remember them in your prayers, so that they may be built upon Christ.

Prayers are requested on behalf of Sadaian, Kollai Muthu, who are under the bondage of the devil. The students who are studying under us have to be sent to other Christian institutions for further studies.

The fire accident at Gudiyatham has caused some trouble because of the misunderstanding among the Hill tribes that the

christians were the cause for that fire accident. They look at us in a suspicious way. It was all false rumours.

Jamanamarathur :...Mr. N. Victor writes :

During the beginning of May, we had some friends from Tiruparuthi Kundram N.M.S. Branch. They were able to minister God's word to the people. I am glad to inform you that I will be moving to Kalyanamanthai along with my family to work in that area and we request you to pray for us in your daily prayers.

A few people are attending the church service in Jamanamarathur from Kavalur. Will you be kind enough to pray for these people. Mr. Boochi Gounder, one of the panchayat president has eagerness to know more about Christ but he is afraid of the people. Please pray for him.

Kalyanamandhai :...Mrs. Esther Robertson writes :

During the month, I was able to visit Athipet, Vannankottai, Rettykollai, Velichanganoor apart from the regular work at Kalyanamanthi. Kindly pray for all the work which is being done here.

Bombay : — Organising Secretary for West India Mr. J. P. Ashwal writes.

During the month I visited the branches in Bombay and Udipi and collected contributions and conducted prayer meetings.

Andhra Pradesh : — The Hon. Organising Secretary — Rev. V. E. Johnston writes :—

I visited Nizambad on the 26th May 1974. The Presbyter incharge the Rev. D.E. Swamidoss was kind enough to arrange for my visit. The previous Sunday (i.e.) on the (19-5-74) he announced to the congregation about my coming on the N.M.S. work. The congregation and the elders were very courteous. During the service on the 26-5-74, I preached on the text from Matt. 28:18-20 and apprised the congregation of the work carried on by the N.M.S. After the service the elders and some of the members of the congregation met together. The aim and objectives of the N.M.S. were explained to them and a convener was appointed for this work, After the vacation, the presbyter informed that they would form a branch committee. An amount of Rs. 35/- was collected by the congregation for the N.M.S. work.

Bharatpur : — Rev. Tyagi writes :—

I have done deputation work in Rajasthan from 23rd May till 31st May. The Rev. C. E. Anthony helped very much in doing the deputation work, He is one of the presbyters of the church of North India.

I am planning to move from Bharatpur to Ajmeer-Pushkar, with Ajmeer as my head quarters, to do the evangelistic work. You are kindly requested to pray for me and my family as we are planning to move to the new station. Remember the new converts Mr. Lakshmi Narain Sharma and Mr. Ram Ratan Ambesk in your prayers, who are facing persecution from the Janasanghis and relatives. They were beaten by the Janasanghis, who attacked me too.

In one of the meeting, a gunda attacked me. I was able to tackle him through prayer. Now, he himself is an enquirer and ready to purchase a Bible.

Mr. Tyagi also went around and did Gospel work and she is helping to learn tailoring. Those who come for the classes are told about the Lord Jesus Christ and His love.

Malligachi : — M. P. R. Gupta writes :—

During the month I was able to visit seven villages and an enquirer came to my home to know more about Christ. I had discussion with him. To visit the village I have to cross the river. May I request you to pray for the enquirer in your prayer. I was sick for about 7 days. Thank God, He helped me.

Mr. Paul Singh : The Organising Secretary for North India writes :—

During the month I had to go to Jabalpure and Delhi. When I returned, I had to go to Rajasthan to be with Rev. Tyagi. The rest of the day I could do correspondence work.

My son needs your special prayers. He is working with the Navy. He would like to be relieved from the Navy.

Bageshwar : — Mr. Bachi Singh writes :—

I could do my usual visitation to the villages and distribute tracts. I do often go to the bus station to distribute tracts and talk about the love of God to the people there.

Puri : — The Rev. Paul Sanjeevi writes :—

I was able to conduct the cottage prayer meetings, visiting the people both at Pentacotta and Noliyasahi.

At the middle of May, I had to come to Madras for my personal matters and was able to stay at the N.M.S. office and had some days of rest. On the way to Madras, I had to travel by bus, because of the Railway strike. So, I had the privilege of visiting Uppada which is our new N.M.S. field. Uppada is at the sea shore of Andhra.

Prayers are requested for

1. For the enquirers who are ready for baptism at Puri
2. For the newly built congregation at Uppada
3. For Kirupamma and family to return to the fellowship.

Muddhebiha! : — Mr. Franklin Bhasme writes :—

During the month mostly I have done personal evangelism. Please pray for the people whom I could contact through the personal evangelism, so that the Lord may touch their hearts to accept Him their God and Saviour.

Bihar-Dhanbad : — Mr. John Thomas writes :—

All Sundays I go to churches and preach the word of God. Some are hungry and thirsty after righteousness asking questions after the services. God is blessing the preaching ministry.

According to the various needs of the people, I give books for readings. When I meet the people, I really study their needs. It often comes out in the time of conversation. I lend books to them. Books are silent conversationalists. Pray that God may use this instruments.

I use to hear that sick people are very needy. It is cent per cent correct. They want healings and comfort. I visit them, tell them Bible verses and pray with them. The sick people with whom I prayed together are healed and are on duty now and they need more rest.

In the little cooling of June, the black clouds deceiving us, not having rain, but only anticipation. In this month I started with other brothers on extensive way of evangelism. Telling the glad news to villagers, selling the Gospels, distributing tracts and free booklets, and explaining the contents of the books, and some

time preaching. We are doing all these not by our strength but by His grace.

It was at Rajendra village, one practical young merchant interested in the ways of christians asked "How can it be?" Yes, God can satisfy his hunger. From the people we could understand that it was first time they hear the Gospel "Where were you for these two thousand years, you now come and explain to us" This was the great challenge for us. In that village quite a good number of people were very happy to hear and receive the word of God. Children are gathered to receive their tracts. They stopped their play and came running saying "I want Jesus".

Some older people were having rest from the day's hot sun. This group was keenly listening to our preaching, in order that they may get rest of peace and joy which Jesus only can give.

As we were going along the road some building workers stopped their work for a few minutes and came down by saying that they want that booklet. "One book for me". They shouted. Yes it was quite thrilling to see these new things. Who knows that there are hungry souls for peace and joy.

In another part of the village some people were discussing their lives' problem. We could tell the power of Christ. When we are free from guilt and sin and bad habitt, then he would supply according to our needs. By hearing our sounds, talks, children, women, young people, older folks, came running towards us not to reject but to accept the love of Christ by saying "Tell us the love of Christ.

The South Tamil Area—Hon. Secretary, Mr. Solomon Rajiah writes :—

'Mr. D. P. Jayaraj and I went to Athanur and Perauvarai on 12-4-1974. We preached in the C.S.I. Church—Athanur and explained the aims and achievements of the N.M.S. The members of the congregation were impressed of the necessity to offer a helping hand to the N.M.S. They were convinced but they have taken up the work of remodelling their church at a heavy cost of Rs. 8000/- Hence they have promised to subscribe for N.M.S. during the next visit. Dr. Devadass of Peruvarai has paid a donation of Rs. 20/- for N.M.S.

I went to Pattukottai on 18-5-74 and contacted some of the christian members, I preached in the C.S.I. Church on 19-5-74 Dr. Raghaviah. Dental Surgeon-Pattukottai offered to become a life member of N.M.S., on 20-6-74, which will be his birthday. The other members have promised to subscribe to N.M.S. One Mr. John Santhoshkumar, clerk-P.W.D., is an active young man.

He evinces interest in the N.M.S. I have asked him to remind the friends to send their subscription in the first week of June 1974.

I have taken the permission of the presbyter in charge, C.S.I. Church, Nagapatanam, to preach in the Church on 2-6-74. If God willing, Mr. D. P. Jayaraj and myself will go to Nagapattinam on 1-6-74 and contact the christians personally, and give a message in the church on 2-6-74. I am sure God our Lord will surely create in the hearts of every christian a sense of responsibility to help evangelistic work in India.

Dark Dandeli Is Calling

As the readers are probably aware of the fact that North Kanara is a former N.M.S. field in which the Marthomas Church is labouring since 1910. Dandeli is in Haliyal Taluk of N. Kanara it is a paper town. The west east paper mill is established there in which 15 language people are working. There are other industries such as Government saw mill, plywood factory and few manganese mine ore centres. Now the Kali Nadi project which is the biggest in Asia worth about Rs. 200/- crores came into being.

There are 800 Telugu christian families in this town and besides there are a handful of Marthoma Christians. Mr. V. A. Oommen is the Secretary of the congregation and Rev. P.V. Philip of Ankola Ashram is the vicar. Mr. M.E. Mathew is posted as an Evangelist. In his zeal for the Lord he started the Sunday school with the help of Rev. Prabhakar Rao of the C.S I. Telugu congregation. Bishop Sargent memorial Church is used by the Protestant groups for worship during the last week of April. Mr. Thomas David was invited to speak in the convention there and also for special meetings for children. Mr. P. Prakash, our Sunday School Missionary was invited and the Dandeli congregation had a very useful time,

The Dandeli group has secured a plot for their mission House and they need a minimum of Rs. 800/- towards the construction. Mr. V. A. Oommen is very much burdened about the work in Dandeli and if some volunteers could come forward for a summer camp it will be a good opportunity to do some evangelistic work. Please contact Mr. V.M. Oommen Jalji Lodge, Neheru Road, Dandeli, for further information.

Kumta,
1-6-74.

Sd. K. T. GEORGE
Secretary, N. KANARA,
Workers fellowship.

Great Hymns And Their Authors 12

The Right Rev. Reginald Heber D. D. 1783-1826,

Bishop of Calcutta

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty" Songs & Solos 22
From Green Land's icy mountain" Songs & Solos 1070

Reginald Heber D. D., Bishop of Calcutta was born in 1783 in Malpas, Cheshire. He gave early signs of his future talents winning the Oxford University prize for Poetry in 1804. He was ordained Rector of Hodnet in 1807, where he served for 16 years. In 1823 at the age of 40 he was pressed to accept the bishopric of Calcutta and landed in India the same year. On account of serious troubles in the South India Church over caste problem he arrived in Madras and proceeded to Tanjore on 20th March 1826. Arriving in Trichirapalli, he preached in the Fort Church on Sunday morning 3rd April. Having been invited for lunch by the district judge he went to his house and while bathing in the tub he was drowned.

The hymn 'From Green Lands icy mountains,' was composed by Heber in 15 minutes at the request of his father-in-law Dean Shipley, to suit his special service, the next day-Whit Sunday 1819. on behalf of the S P.G. mission in foreign lands. He was a prolific writer of hymns, and essays and was the first to prepare a book of hymns.

E.P.G.

Matters Of Thanks Giving.

Thank God

1. for guiding the society to progress steadily, to fulfill our Lord's Mission.
2. for opening a new centre at Uppada in Andhra Pradesh.
3. for Mr. and Mrs. Roshiah consenting to go over there temporarily to look after that growing congregation.
4. for the work done at Malligachi and for Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Gupta.
5. for the West Bengal area committee, getting more interested and taking a keen interest in the project.

6. for Mr. John Thomas, doing work in Dhanbad-BIHAR, who meets different kinds of people with the gospel.
 7. for Rev. S. C. P. Tyagi doing deputation work in Rajasthan.
 8. for Rev. V. E. Johnston, contacting the people of Nizamabad and the good meetings he had.
 9. for the new nurse Miss Saramma George, in the Jawadhi Hills.
 10. for the successful North Tamil Area N.M.S. conference.
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Matters For Prayer

Let us pray for :—

1. continued help from God to meet the needs of the society and its workers through the friends.
 2. for the Bengal area committee to be enabled to get the churches in Calcutta and Bengal to give increased support to the Malligachi project.
 3. for Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Gupta doing work in this unapproachable and unreached place as witness of our Lord.
 4. for enough resource to build (complete) the building for the worker and for the equipments.
 5. That God may give enough grace and guidance to Mr. and Mrs. Roshiah in their new station Uppada.
 6. for the workers in the Jawadhi Hills, to remove suspicion in the minds of the people of Alleri and Oomaianputhur.
 7. for the new nurse Miss. Saramma George.
 8. for Mr. and Mrs. Victor who are taking the charge of Kalyanamantnai congregation.
 9. for the people in the hills to be delivered from the fear and possession of the evil spirit.
 10. for the Triennial conference to be held from Oct. 10-12th 1974.
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Subscription received for the month of May, 1974

	Rs.	P.		Rs.	P.
Utter Pradesh			Orissa		
Thro' Mr. J. Das, Kanpur branch	50	00	Mr. Misra, Jatni	5	00
Thro' Mr. A. B. David, Jhansi				5	00
<i>Sale proceeds in Christian Mela</i>			Madhya Pradesh		
City Church	219	00	Thro' Mr. Paul Singh		
C. P. Church	50	00	March collections		
C. P. Church, Primary School	40	00	Mr. S. Edward	50	00
Premnagar Church	23	00	Miss. K. Kenswar	20	00
Sipri Church	7	00	Mr. E. Nathaniel & family	20	00
Sipri Church Youth	27	30	Diocese Jabalpur	5	25
Sipri Church Youth	13	15	Mr. Oliver Khalko,	10	00
Deanery Youth	35	00		105	25
Holy Cross Church womens fellowship	40	00			
H. C. Church collected by Mrs. Johnson	96	00	Kerala		
Lawton Memorial School Staff	41	50	Thro' Mr. C. Thomas, Parasuvikal Branch	100	00
Lawton Memorial School Staff	8	00	Thro' Miss A. Thomas, Calicut, branch	115	00
H. C. Church, donation	110	00	Mr. J. Robinson, Cruesoe Kaipatoor	10	00
H. M. M. H. S. School	100	00	Mrs. A. John	100	00
	859	45		325	00
Delhi			Mysore		
Thro' Mr. Francis Pershad Delhi, branch collections	122	00	Dr. Mrs. R. Aiman Bangalore	500	00
	122	00		500	00
Bihar			Madras City		
Mr. W. Williamson	20	00	The Presbyter, St. Pauls Church, Vepery	100	00
Mr. D. A. Sigamony	10	00	Thro' Mr. Alfred Vetharaj	28	00
	30	00	" " J. F. Devaraj	60	00
Maharashtra			" Mrs. A. Dorairaj	180	00
Thro' Mr. J. P. Ashwal			" " Stella Moses	17	00
Byculla Central	99	00	" Mr. E. Paul		
Kurla	22	00	Gnanabaranam	228	00
Bandra	17	00	" " D. S. Dharmaraj	151	00
Borivli Prayer offertory	8	40	" " R. Joseph	157	50
	146	40	" " D. Monsingh	48	00
Gujarat			" " A. Thomas		
Mr. Edmon Christian	50	00	Bauliah	84	00
			" " S. F. Jayavelu	28	50
			" Mrs. Joy Pandian	26	00

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Mr. S. S. Samuel	103	50	Thro' Miss. P. Dharmaraj,		
Mr. E. Lazarus	2	00	Trichy	38	00
Prakash	2	00	Mr. T. Thangappa	5	00
M. Benjamin	5	00	" C. Daniel	1	00
Dr. Jayapaul Azariah	10	00	Thro' Dr. Mrs. Kurien,		
Mr. D. K. John	5	00	Womens Fellowship,		
Miss. Florence Paul	10	00	Dindigul	300	00
Mr. Nulraj Joseph	180	00			
Rev. B. Selvaratnam	25	00	Thro' Mr. J. Shelton,		
Mr. P. V. Srinivasan	15	00	Trichy		
" W. Koilpillai	12	00	Mr. D. Jeyachandran	30	00
" Michael Selvaraj	12	00	" P. Hemachandran	30	00
Mrs. N. Lindsay	12	00	" D. Thambusamy	30	00
Miss. V. Yesudian	12	00	" Dhanasekaran	30	00
Mr. K. J. Roberts	12	00	" J. Shelton	15	00
" N. Franklin	12	00	" H. S. S. Singh	20	00
" J. G. Paul	10	00	" P. Jayakumar	8	00
" J. G. Rajedram	6	00	" D. Ernest	6	00
" T. J. Solomon	6	00	" Mahesh Appadurai	15	00
" D. J. Jayaraj	5	00	" Umesh Appadurai	15	00
" Edward Solomon	3	00	" D. K. T. Felix	9	00
" Wilfred Devid	3	00	" S. Dasamani	45	00
" M. Nelson	6	00	" A. N. Dorairaj, Trichy	5	00
Mrs. Mary Chandy	20	00	" S. J. Abraham, Kulitalai	15	00

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Prayer Meeting Collection

Mr. D. M. Asirvatham,		
Kilpauk, Madras-10	9	10
	9	10

North Tamil Area

Secretary, Chapel Committee		
C. M. C. Vellore	39	23
Thro' Mr. Jason Jayaraj,		
Kancheepuram	36	28
Thro' Miss. Arthur,		
N. M. S. Salem branch	140	00
Mr. P. V. Matthew, Coonoor	5	00
Mrs. L. Johnson, Ranipet	5	00
Mr. Moses Lazarus	10	00
" K. S. Arulnathan	5	00
	240	51

South Tamil Area

The Treasurer, C.S.I.		
K. K. Diocese Prayer		
Band	2577	36
Thro' Mr. Y. Packiamoni,		
Nazareth	100	00

Thro' Mr. J. Shelton,

Trichy		
Mr. D. Jeyachandran	30	00
" P. Hemachandran	30	00
" D. Thambusamy	30	00
" Dhanasekaran	30	00
" J. Shelton	15	00
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" P. Jayakumar	8	00
" D. Ernest	6	00
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" Jayasingh Jayadoss	25	00
" K. I. Asirvatham	10	00
" Eustus Jacob	50	00
" S. D. P. Singaram	10	00
" S. R. Kanakamoni	5	00

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Andhra Pradesh

Thro' Mrs. C. Dharmaraj,		
S. P. G. Primary School	13	00
Mr. A. G. P. Devasigamani	20	00
" G. J. Thangaraj	10	00
	43	00

Outside India

Mr. & Mrs. J. C. Karkada,		
Bahrain	100	00
	100	00

Field Receipts

Jawadhi Hills	116	22
Ishapanthy Ashram	51	00
Bageshwar	10	00

	Rs.	P.		Rs.	P.
Bharatpur	2	00	Life Membership		
Muddebihal	20	00	Mr. A. M. Daniel	100	00
Dabra			Mrs. M. George	100	00
Rev. Edwin Sherring	5	00			
Mr. & Mrs. H. Spencer	2	00			
Mr. & Mrs. D. M. Collins	2	00			
Mr. H. H. Singh	1	00			
„ D. V. Hoffman	5	00	Special Receipts		
„ C. M. Khakar	1	00	Treasurer, N.M.S. Dindigul		
„ H. Sherring	2	00	branch, towards Bihar		
„ Y. Masih	2	00	work	250	00
Miss. Sharly chunhan	2	00	Rev. D. Elias towards tribal		
Mr. Benji Masih	2	00	scholarship account	400	00
Mr. & Mrs. R. P. Shagagile	2	00	Sadhu Sunder Sing Trust		
Mr. & Mrs. Benji Masih	4	00	for theology training	1500	00
Mr. P. Paul	2	00			
Thro' Rev. J. M. Jayasingh			Puri Library Work		
Mr. S. Russel, New Delhi	10	00	Dr. Mrs. R. Aiman,		
The Delhi Bible Church	123	20	Bangalore	500	00
Mr. C. M. Verghese	5	00	Dr. Mrs. L. Thambiah,		
„ Mammen	2	00	Madras	400	00
„ Thomas Verghese	100	00	Mrs. L. Matthew, Madras	100	00
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Fellowship, Gnakkanal	30	00	Mr. M. C. Chcrian,		
Mr. C. Jebamani	5	00	Tiruvella	10	00
Thro' Rev. G. John, I.E.L.C.	22	56	Mrs. K. Rajendran,		
Mr. & Mrs. Joshua	35	00	Madurai	15	00
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EXPECT GREAT THINGS FROM GOD
ATTEMPT GREAT THINGS FOR GOD



Bishop Azariah as a lay man at the time
of the formation of the N.M.S. in 1905

MESSAGE

" Occupy till I come "

(St. Luke 19: 13)

Jesus Christ stresses in this parable the use of opportunities and gifts. Every man and woman is endowed with some gift or other and it is only jealousy at others with greater share and reluctance to work, or laziness that is the cause of sullenness and inactivity in most men. The nobleman in the parable distributed his money to his servants according to their respective capacities, 10 pounds, 5 pounds and one pound and told them "Occupy till I come".

The word "occupy" in the original Greek is "Pragmatenomai" and means literally "to keep busy". The verse should therefore read "keep busy till I come". There is nothing so deadening to spiritual life as idleness. There is a saying that "an idle mind is devil's workshop." We should keep ourselves busy so that we have no time for the Devil and its temptations.

There is a legend about St. Thomas. Though Christ cleared his doubts, he was once again troubled with misgivings as to Lord's resurrection. He went to the apostles to discuss and clear his doubts. They were all astonished and said to him that they were very busy. He then went to certain devout ladies and they too told him that they had no time to listen to him. At last it dawned upon him that because they were all busy they were free from the torturing doubts. He then took the hint and went to Parthia and India to preach the Gospel.

There is a call for us Christians in this parable to be busy about our opportunities, gifts and talents in the task of the great call of Jesus. "Ye shall be my witnesses" What is our reaction and response. When we read Joshua 7th chapter we find three kinds of people, shirkers, jerkers, and workers. No doubt to fight the Medianites 22,000 soldiers came up. Alas! not all had a share in the great conquest and victory. The shirkers numbered 12,000 and they were sent away. The jerkers numbered 9,700 who not standing the water test, were also sent away. The real workers (i.e.) 300 who kept themselves busy had a share in the great victory wrought by Gideon.

In the great day of Reckoning, may we not be classed as shirkers excusing ourselves from all responsibilities, or as Jerkers insincere in our duties, but rewarded as workers, in the great task of salvation of mankind.

E.P.G.

With thankful hearts to God for the Services of Late Bishop Azariah, on the occasion of his Birth Centenary, we dedicate this issue as a Memorial.

Though the present set of N.M.S. people had no personal contact with the Bishop, from his writings, we understand that he was a selected vessel of our Lord, destined to be a great servant of His Church in India.

Beginning with his acquaintance with the Thondi Mission which was run by a few young men of Jaffna, his vision of missionary work was widened and widened further to form first, the Indian Missionary Society of Tinneveli and then the inter-denominational, indigenous National Missionary Society to win India and the surrounding countries for Christ. His passion for souls was so great that it lead him to offer himself for the ministry and go as a missionary to the Indian Missionary Society of Tinneveli to Dornakal, of which he was made Bishop later.

The following were prominent in his thinking and action.

That the church in India was divided into various denominations. To win India, all these churches, inspite of all denominational differences, must come together in their diversity to preach the Gospel.

Many people know and realise, that the seed for 'Church Union Movement' was sown by God in the mind of the founders of the N.M.S. of which Azariah was a recognised leader at the time of the formation of the National Missionary Society in 1905.

From that moment Bishop Azariah laboured to have one church in this country. His efforts have borne fruit in the formation of the Church of South India and the Church of North India which we hope will soon form themselves into 'The Church of India'.

In evangelism, as pointed out before, he desired and worked for a united, co-operative and coordinated effort on the part of all the churches and indigenous missionary societies to win India.

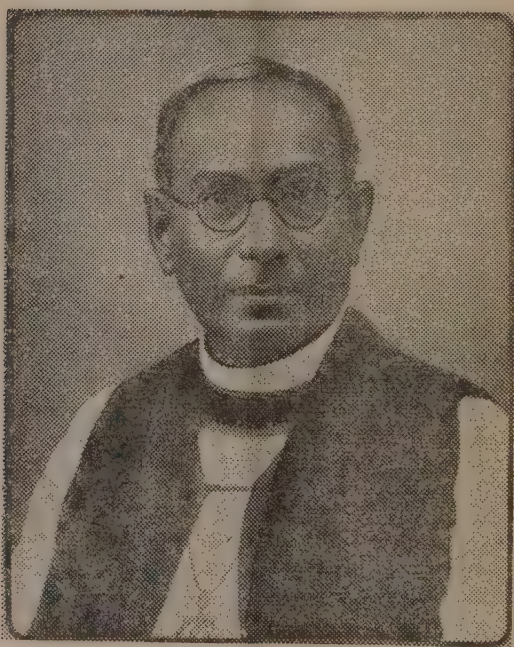
Evangelism according to him, must be 'Church based' for without the church, no evangelism could be done.

As a christian he not only elevated the Indian christian ministers to an equal standing with the missionaries, but also fought against the caste prevalence in the Indian church, which was and is a scandal against the Gospel.

He also stood for presenting the Gospel to the Indians, in their own language and in their own culture. The structure of the cathedral at Dornakal and the form of worship he adopted attest to this.

So, in thanking God for the life and service of our beloved Bishop and founder leader of the National Missionary Society, we exhort the churches in this country, which are not within the union, and the different indigenous missionary bodies working in the country, to present Christ as the 'one Lord and Saviour' standing as 'one body'. The N.M.S. continues to pray and work for this.

GENERAL SECRETARY.



The Right Rev. V. S. Azariah Bishop of Dornakal

**A Memoir of the Late Right Rev. V. S. Azariah LL.D. (Camb).
Bishop of Dornakal 1874—1945**

Away in the southern most district of Tinnevely, in an obscure family, was born, on 17th August 1874, a child of many prayers, to the Rev. Thomas Vedanayagam a presbyter of Vellalanvellai. It was a child destined to play a great role in the history of the Indian

church, nay, in the church international, to stir the still waters of Christian complacency and make for himself a name not to be forgotten. Vedanayagam Samuel Azariah, for that was the name of the child and like his name - sake in the old Testament, was dedicated from childhood to the service of the Lord.

To-day we are celebrating the centenary birthday of this great man of the South Indian Church. To review the life of such a man for our edification and model for following, is no easy task. It is like the six blind men of Hindustan who went to see an elephant. The many facets of Bishop Azariah's many sided activities are studies by them elves eluding a thorough grasp and estimation. As a man, as a pioneer, and as a leader he strode the panorama of public life of India as a hero, as few had such fortune and opportunities.

It is said that some are born great; some are made great, while in some, greatness is thrust. Without any fear of contradiction, Mr. Azariah belonged to the first category. A story is told that young Azariah as a boy of ten years, along with a few of his mates in the Megnanapuram boarding house would jump into the next compound of Miss Thomas—a missionary, to steal guavas. Though warned frequently, young Azariah along with others, persisted in their acts and one day they were caught red handed in their depredatory act. Miss Thomas made the boys stand in a row and after the usual reprimand and to instil into their minds the depravity of their act, asked each one of them in turn "What does the Bible say about thieves and what would God say to you". The other boys all blinked in shame and confusion, but when the turn came to Azariah, he quickly replied, without any *Qualm* "Madam Christ will say to me "Today thou shalt be with me in Paradise" This piece of audacity was not well received by the missionary and it is reported that in narrating the incident to a fellow missionary, she remarked that young Azariah would one day be a great man. In all his subsequent careers, Mr. Azariah stamped his greatness by his wit, humour, forward look, engaging manners and suavity.

It is said of Napoleon Bonaparte that in his great days, he never liked to face his battles as they came, but always created a field, fought the battle and won it. Such was the strategy with Mr. Azariah. Young Azariah soon after he left the Madras Christian college in 1896, did not like most young men prone to drift and tread the beaten path of finding employment to eke out a living. He joined the Y.M.C.A. in Madura where he found a good scope for christian service and creative work. Imbued from his boyhood with an evangelical spirit, fostered by his saintly mother, he sought and laboured in evangelical activities. In the course of his evangelical

work he came into the fellowship of two other great men of the day, Dr. Sherwood Eddy and Mr. K. T. Paul, which enlarged his vision and widened his horizon of future labours. A visit to Jaffna during this period in 1902, to attend a christian convention in company with Dr. Eddy, was the turning point in his life. There he saw that the Christian community of Jaffna was sending evangelists to India. His heart was pricked and in a tumult of shame and longing, shedding bitter tears, he reflected how little the Indian Christians cared to do Gospel work in their own land for their own people. He returned home and by Feb. 1903, he laboured hard and with the help of friends founded the Indian Missionary Society. He travelled in many parts of India to find a place, still unreached for Christ and His Gospel. At last Dornakel in Andhra Pradesh was selected as a virgin soil. Such was the beginning of the Diocese which was to be the field of Mr. Azariah's labours till his death.

The starting of missionary work in Dornakel expanded. Bishop Henry Whitehead of Madras, found in Mr. Azariah a talent and an initiative for his plans of expansion of evangelistic and diocesan work. No wonder the right cork fitted in the right hole. After a course of religious instruction specially arranged for him, Mr. Azariah was made a deacon early in 1909 and a full priest at the end of the same year. Events in his life moved fast. The year (1910) saw him addressing the world missionary conference in Edinburgh on the subject "Cooperation between foreign and local workers in younger churches". He took the audience by a storm and thereafter, his fame became world-wide. With the increasing burden of his vast episcopate, Dr. Henry Whitehead planned to make use of Mr. Azariah to assist him as Assistant Bishop of Dornakal and Azariah was consecrated in 1912, as the first Indian Bishop in St. Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta.

Not content with the expansion of evangelistic work in Andhra Pradesh, the burden of reaching the Gospel in the still unreached places in India, lay as a heavy burden on him. His ebullient ardour in the cause of evangelistic work found a new channel. Gathering together 17 men, mostly young and laymen, they met at Serampore-Calcutta on Christmas Day 1905 and laid plans to rouse the Indian Churches from their lethargic, apathetic state to fulfil her mission. 'To reach the Gospel in the still unreached places of India with Indian labour and with Indian resources in men and money,' was their slogan. Thus was born the National Missionary society. Mr. Azariah functioned as the first General Secretary, until he was succeeded by Mr. K. T. Paul. The society so started with prophetic vision and untiring labour, followed by a devoted list of successors, has borne fruit; that to-day, having handed over the old stations to the churches in their respective areas at the time of

the Golden Jubilee 1965—the society has now 12 stations working with 36 paid workers and 8 Hon. workers.

Thus as a great architect, pioneer, and leader, Bishop Azariah had few equals. In the world's missionary conferences, whether at Edinburgh (1910) or at Lausanne (1927) or at Lambeth (1919 and 1930) or at Jerusalem 1937 or at Tambaram 1938, he was hailed and acknowledged as the fearless exponent of church union. He united the east and west not in any unequal participation, but in a holy and lovely partnership, transcending caste, colour and creed.

A life so nobly planned, brilliantly administered, and triumphantly accomplished, left this world poorer and this great soul physically exhausted but spiritually vibrating till the end, passed into eternity on 1-1-1945.

The lives of great men all remind us
That we should make our lives sublime;
And departing leave behind us,
Foot prints in the sands of time.

E. Paul Gnanabharanam.

Great Hymn and their Authors — 13.

Very Rev. Henry Alford D.D. Dean of Canterbury 1810—1871

‘Come ye thankful people come’ Songs and solos 1055

‘Ten thousand times ten thousand’ Songs and solos 1024

Henry Alford was born in London and educated at Trinity College, Cambridge. While young, he was a gifted child and to describe him as precocious is an under statement. He started writing at the age of six and by eleven had compiled a collection of hymns. He was deeply religious and at sixteen he dedicated himself to God's work in his words “I do this day as in the presence of God and my own soul, renew my covenant with God and solemnly determine henceforth to be His and do His work as far as in me lies”. He was dean of Canterbury Cathedral from 1857-1871 and during his life as dean, he was a prolific writer of 50 religious books. The above hymns “Come ye thankful people come” as a hymn for harvest festivals and “Ten thousand times ten thousand” as a majestic processional hymn, are popular all over the world. On his

tomb at his own request are inscribed the following words: "Here lies Alford. Dean, after resting in an inn on his way to New Jerusalem." Visitors to the great Cathedral are elevated by this great testimony.

E.P.G.

South Tamil Nadu N.M.S. Conference

The South Tamil Nadu N.M.S. committee held its meeting on 27th July in the premises of the Theological college, Arasaradi, Madurai. The Rev. M. D. Rajamony, Circle Chairman, C.S.I., Nazareth and the President of the South Tamil Nadu Area committee, presided. The Rev. J. M. Jayasingh gave a survey of the work done in the South Tamil Area since the last meeting held in Tanjore, October 1973. Mr. Solomon Rajaiah, Secretary, read the minutes of the previous meeting and it was approved. The members coming from the various areas gave a report of the N.M.S. work done in their areas. Several proposals for further improvement of the work were discussed. Then the members were called upon to elect their delegates to the ensuing N.M.S. All India Triennial conference to be held at Bangalore on 10th to 13th October 1974. The following members were elected excluding the secretary, Mr. J. Shelton 2. Rev. M. D. Rajamony. Our thanks are due to the Rev. Dayachand Carr and the principal Dr. Amirtham for their hospitality and for making the college premises available for the meeting. Later, the Rev. J. M. Jayasingh met the Madura City members of the N.M.S. at a meeting and conferred about the plans for the future.

E. P. G.

North Tamil Nadu N.M.S. Conference

By the grace of God, the second conference of the North Tamil Nadu was held in Coimbatore between 12th to 14th July in the Union Christian High School. The Right Rev. J. Thangamuthu, the Bishop in Coimbatore, opened the conference. The N.M.S. local committee played the host led by Mr. S. Gnana-kadatcham, the Headmaster. Mr. K. P. Mathai, M.A., B.D., M.Th., of the South India Bible Seminary, Bangarapet, gave inspiring and thoughtful messages on the different names by which the disciples of Christ were called in the Acts of the Apostles (i.e.) disciples, believers, brethren, saints and witnesses. 33 local members and 45 members of the N.M.S. from Ooty, Salem, Ranipet,

Conjeevaram, Dharmapuri, Erode attended the conference paying their own travelling. The local committee headed by Mr. S. Gnana-kadatcham raised nearly Rs. 1000/- for the expenses of the conference. Members from outstations were thrilled to action and they solemnly promised to help the N.M.S. in increasing the membership and collection. On the whole, the conference was a great success. It is hoped that the new life started in Coimbatore N.M.S. will grow from strength to strength. The Rev. J. M. Jayasingh, the Organising Secretary who planned the conference, did well his part and to the local members, our grateful thanks are due for their whole hearted co-operation in making the conference a success.

E. P. G.

REPORTS FROM THE FIELDS

Mr. Paul Singh, North India Organising Secretary writes:—

Rev. S. C. P. Tyagi—our missionary in Rajasthan and I, did deputation work in Bharathpur. We visited some seekers and N.M.S. friends and well wishers and addressed about the N.M.S. in the C N.I. Church at Bharathpur. We had fellowship with the friends of N.M.S. We met two young converts who met with persecution. Yet these young men in faith are standing firm in loyalty to Christ. The spirit of persecution has cooled down through the influence of our President of the branch and executive member, Mrs. Alexander. Please remember the converts in your prayers.

BHARATHPUR—Rev. S. C. P. Tyagi writes.

After I returned from leave, attending Sat Tal Ashram, with fresh zeal, I started my work. I distributed more than 15 000 tracts and booklets. sold 375 Gospel portions, 150 New Testaments. Contacted also 15 new enquirers. Prayers of members are requested.

DABRA—Rev. Edwin Sherring writes:—

Visited Dabra, Datia and Takanpur and contacted N.M.S. friends, conducted Sunday services and prayer meetings in the homes of friends. Mr. & Mrs. Benji Masih of Datia, a good friend of N.M.S. lost their only son in a motor accident. Friends are requested to pray for the family. When I was preaching and talking to a Hindu priest, a strong young man, probably a police man, bet me on my cheek. This came out in the local news paper also. I gave him no answer but only prayed for him.

DHANBAD—Mr. John Thomas writes :—

Everyday I do Gospel work, sell scripture portions in the Police line. I conduct prayer meetings and service in two local churches. One Mr. Singh and another Mr. A. D. Ghose come to my house and I spoke to them about our Gospel. When I go to the villages, people young & old, run to meet me and I speak to them and distribute tracts. Some ladies have also been spoken to.

BOMBAY—Mr. J. P. Ashwal writes.

I contacted local workers in all the suburbs and conducted prayer meetings at Bandra Station Colony, Goregaon, Kalina and Ambernath. Appointed new workers at Mulund Danda.

BAGESHWAR—Mr. Bachi Singh writes :—

“Visited Kanda Road and bus station and distributed tracts to passengers. Contacted two college teachers and two doctors, who are in the Government service, and explained to them about our Lords work. Conducted Sunday services. Visited town and discussed the Gospel with shop-keepers. Visited Harijan Mohallah and Baijnath Ganur and distributed tracts and pamphlets. Prayers are requested for persons with whom contacts were made, so that they will come forward and accept Christ.”

PURI-ORISSA—Pastor G. Roshiah writes :—

“Conducted Prayer meetings and attended church meetings. On Sundays, church services were conducted. Visited the houses of new enquirers and also went to Subbammamet visiting our Church congregation members. Sunday school was also conducted.”

Report of the Organising Secretary for South India

Dear, Friends,

Greetings to you all in the mighty name of Jesus. Having shifted my camping centre from Madurai to Madras, I stayed at Madras till 12th June. During June, I was invited to the missionary convention at the Rich Methodist church at Bangalore to share about the N.M.S. work. The theme of the convention was ‘Our generation and our responsibility’. The I.E.M. Missionaries to the Bond Tribes were at the convention. Mr. John Richard of the E.F.I. brought the messages from the Lord.

June 18—20 attended the S.I.B.S. Council.

June 21—23 visited the Kolar field area churches.

The K. G. F. area has to be revived. Friends are requested to pray that the friends of K. G. F. may take up the lead to revive the branch.

25th—July 15th—Coimbatore.

In connection with the North Tamil Area conference, I had to be at Coimbatore and conducted the conference. The C.S I. High School (formerly Union High School) was the centre of the conference. The Rt. Rev. J. Thangamuthu, the Bishop in Coimbatore, and the Patron of the Coimbatore branch, inaugurated the conference and dedicated three of our own Evangelists. Mr. K. P. Mathai, vice principal of the South India Biblical Seminary, was the main speaker. The theme of the conference was 'Christ's followers'. The Coimbatore N.M.S. branch was the host of the conference. It is notable that the Coimbatore Churches and Christians backed up the conference by prayer, finance and presence. A detailed report will be given by the convener.

As I do the organising work. I need God's grace and co-operation of friends.

Thanking you,
Yours in His cause,
(Sd.) J. M. JAYASINGH,
Organising Secretary-South India.

Things to Remember

1. All India Triennial Conference at Bangalore
10th to 13th Oct. 74
2. N.M.S. Prayer Week
7th to 13th Oct. 74

Subscription received for the month of June 1974

Uttar Pradesh

	Rs.	P.
Thro' Rev. Paul Das		
Allahabad branch collections	174	00
Mr. Sher singh, Nainital	10	00
	184	00

Delhi

	Rs.	P.
Thro' Mr. Francis Pershad		
Delhi branch collections	277	00
Mr. B. C. Ghose, New Delhi	15	00
	292	00

Bengal

	Rs.	P.
The Bishop of Calcutta	100	00
	100	00

Bihar

	Rs.	P.
Mr. Williamson, Motigil	30	00
„ D A. Sigamony, Jamshedpur	10	00
	40	00

Orissa

	Rs.	P.
Mr. Misra, Jatni	5	00
	5	00

Maharashtra

Thro' Mr. J. P. Ashwal towards the salary of the worker at Muddebihal	244	00
Mr. T. Victor	15	00
	259	00

Madhya Pradesh

	Rs.	P.
Thro' M. S. Doss		
Mr. A. Minz	1	00
„ Tho at	2	00
„ W. Maldwar	2	00

	Rs.	P.
„ Alban Alvares	1	00
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„ D. Masih	1	00
„ Victor Dasi	2	00
„ V. K. Albert	1	00
„ Sylvester Kaloo	1	00
„ Victor Timothy	1	00
„ Horo	1	00
„ L. Jacob	2	00
„ S. Charles	2	00
„ Jacob Masih	2	00
„ M. S. Doss	2	00
„ E. N. Lall	2	00
Dr. A. M. Daniel, Durg	80	00
Mr. W. Benjamin	5	00
	109	00

Kerala

	Rs.	P.
Thro' Mr. C. Thomas		
Parasuvikkal branch	170	00
Thro' Miss A. Thomas		
Calicut branch	89	00
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Mr. Robinson Cruesoe		
Kaipatoor	10	00
Mr. K. I. Verghese	25	00
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Mysore

	Rs.	P.
Thro' Mr. J. David		
M/s. E. W. C. David	45	00
Mr. A. Manickam	10	00
„ V. M. Abraham	30	00
„ J. David	30	00
„ C. T. John	30	00
„ S. Manuel & a friend	30	00
„ G. I. S. Paul	10	00
„ J. Daniels	12	00
„ Paul Samuel	10	00
„ D. Grant	10	00
Rev. Jacob Isaac	5	00
„ Thomas David	25	00
Dr. Sam Isaac	10	00
Mrs. V. Sebastian	10	00
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„ G. Sathiaraj	30	00
„ A. B. Verghese	50	00

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.. G Inbanathan	40	00
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Thro' Ida Williams	45	00
Thro' Mr. Shanthamurthy	5	00
Thro' Mr. A. Rajendram		
Mr S Gabriel	25	00
Miss Phoebe Rajendran	1	00
Mr. H J Paul	5	00
.. Manmohan Attawa	30	00
.. L P. Stephen	15	00
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Mr. E. R. Edwin	5	00
.. T. W. Kaunds	30	00
Mrs H M. Karkada	5	00
Mr. Vail Sherry	5	00
.. F. Samuel	2	00
Mrs. Lenahan	2	00
Mr. A. L. Masilamani	3	00
.. A. O. Devanandam	5	00
.. A. Vincent	3	00
.. Kuppusamy	2	00
Rupee one collections	16	00

Thro' Mr. J. P. Ashwal, West

India Organising Secretary

Mr. E D Williams	10	00
Mrs Vansanthi Soans	5	00
Miss P Karkada	5	00
Mr. C. V Barnabas	5	00
.. R. Kalyan	5	00
.. W. J. W. Kotian	5	00
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.. Gilbert Salins	1	00
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.. Daniel Salins	2	00
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Mrs. Regina	2	00
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.. Theodore Soans	25	00
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.. H. Edwin Abel	1	00
Mrs. Helen Salins	2	00
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.. Suvarthappa Karkada	25	00
Mr. Cyril Amanna	10	00
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Mr. K. Daniel Soans	5	00
.. C. I. Bangera	5	00
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Rev. E. F. Fernandez	5	00
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.. S. Jayalar	11	00
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.. J. V. Kunder	5	00
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.. S. R. Furtado	10	00
.. F. B. Kunder	10	00
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Mr & Mrs. J. J. Amanna	10	00

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Mr. Peter Simon	5	00
.. G. Maben	3	00
.. David Pandyan	1	00
.. Hubert Maben	1	00
.. Nelson	1	00

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	Rs.	P.
The Headmistress, Bains		
.. School Kilpauk	131	00
The Presbyter, Santhome		
.. Tamil Church	35	00
Thro' Mr. Alfred Vetharaj	22	00
.. J. F. Devaraj	49	00
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.. Gnanabaranam	236	00
.. D. Monsingh	75	00
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.. J. F. Jayavelu	23	50
.. Thomas Bauliah	125	00
.. S. S. Samuel	110	00
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.. W. Prakash	2	00
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Mr. Vijay Chandran	5	00
„ C. M. Salis	10	00
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North Tamil Area

Thro' The Presbyter, Christ Church, Coimbatore

	Rs.	P.
Mr. D. S. Aaron	6	00
„ Anbunathan	3	00
„ G. F. S. Bagyam	1	50
„ N. J. N. Clements	3	00
„ Charles Johnson	1	50
Dr. Duke Karunakaran	3	00
Mr. V. P. Devarajan	0	60
„ F. L. Daniel	1	50
„ George Ambrose	1	50
Mrs. Gunasundari	3	00
Mr. Gnanaprakasam	6	00
„ M. D. Gnaniah	3	00
„ A. S. Jayaraj	4	00
„ Job Barnabas	6	00
„ John Samuel	3	00
„ J. Manuel	1	50
„ D. S. Theophilus	0	75
„ S. S. Thomas	3	00
„ G. A. Kumaresan	1	00
„ M. David	3	00
„ D. Daniel	1	00
„ Devasirvatham	1	50
„ Edwin Balraj	4	00
„ Isaac George Martyn	1	50
„ Joshua Edward	3	00
Mrs. Job Daniel	20	00
Mr. T. J. Jayaseelan	3	00
„ Ratnaraj Baliah	3	00
„ A. J. S. Sunderraj	3	00
Rev. Arthur Devanayagam	3	00
Mr. J. T. Doss	3	00
„ John Devasagayam	3	00
„ J. T. Samuel	1	50
„ A. F. Nappoly	2	00
„ V. Chelladurai	1	00
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Dr. Daniel Sunderraj	3	00
Mr. P. S. Swamidoss	6	00
Mrs. J. S. Packianathan	3	00
„ S. Somasundaram	2	00
Mr. David Sundararajan	2	00
„ J. V. Joseph	6	00
„ P. N. Noah	1	00
„ S. J. C. Punniaraj	3	00
„ D. S. Samuel	2	00

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„ F. H. Franklin	3	00
„ Augustine Selvan	3	00
„ A. Franklin	1	50
„ N. Devadasen	1	00
Dr. I. K. Solomon	2	00
Mr. Devadoss David	1	00
„ G. Jayapaul	1	50
Mrs. P. Moses	1	50
Mr. Vasan Devaraj	1	00
„ D. Azariah	7	00
„ P. H. Jesudoss	9	00
Dr. M. Kavaka	3	50
Mr. Santhosham	0	25
„ P. D. Gnanaolivu	4	00
Thro' Mr. Jason Jayaraj		
Kancheepuram branch collections	27	46
The Headmistress, Ebenezer		
Aided School Katpadi	136	00
Thro' Miss Arthur Salem		
branch collections	240	00
Thro' Rt. Rev. Henry Lazarus		
Ashram school collections	60	00
Mr. P. V. Matthew, Nilgiris	5	00
Mrs. L. Johnson, Ranipet	5	00
Mr. Moses Lazarus	15	00
„ T. Inbaraj	12	50
„ Appasamy	15	00
„ Thomas Williams	15	00
„ Issac Newton	15	00
„ T. Lawrence	15	00
„ P. Kanagaratnam	3	00
	743	56

South Tamil Area

	Rs.	P.
Thro' Mr. Packiamoni		
Nazareth collections	140	00
Mr. S. D. P. Karunakaran		
Subramaniapuram branch	10	00
Mr. T. Thangappa	5	00
Thro' Mr. T. Samuel,		
St. Peter's High School,		
Thanjavur	99	75
Thro' V. S. Devadoss		
Blake High School, Tanjore	35	50
Thro' Mr. P. Kanickaraj,		
Mr. P. Kanickaraj	4	00
„ S. Thomas Peter	4	00
„ P. Kannayiram	2	00
„ V. A. Lourthunathan	4	00
„ J. Ezekiel	4	00
„ G. Danaraj	4	00
„ S. Christopher	2	00
„ Paul David	2	00

	Rs.	P.
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.. Abraham	1	00
.. J. Jayaraj	1	00
.. P. Durairaj	1	00
.. J. Backianathan	1	00
.. A. Lucas	1	00
Mrs. Mary Santhanam	2	00
.. Suseela Bakiyathan	1	00
.. Saroja Kanickaraj	2	00
.. Sulochana Thomas	2	00

Thro' Mr. Solomon Rajiah

Dr. Devadoss Peravurani	50	00
Mr. N. S. Thanaraj, Nagapatnam	5	00
Mr. A. C. S. Jayapaul, Nagapatnam	2	00
Mr. George Manohar Nagapatnam	30	00
Mr. Jayaraj Asirvatham	10	00
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.. G. H. Clarence	10	00
Mrs. J. Samuel	10	00
Mr. C. J. Antony	3	00
.. G. Isaac Sathiaraj, Nagapatnam	30	00
Dr. Mrs. Monsingh	10	00
Mr. G. Isaac Madurai	15	00
.. J. H. Samuel	15	00
Miss Manickavalli	10	00
Mrs. Manonmani Jabez	10	00
Miss Suvithamani	12	00
Mr. B. J. A. Solomon	10	00
Rev. J. A. Balasingh	5	00
	686	25

Andhra Pradesh

	Rs.	P.
Thro' Rev. V. E. Johnson collections	29	00
Thro' Mrs E. David, Hyderabad branch collections	232	00
Mr. G. J. Thangaraj, Allur	5	00
Rt Rev H. D. Luther	25	00
Mrs. Pushpam Sunderraj	40	00
Mr. A. S. Jayakar	5	00
	336	00

Birthday Gift

Mr. D. Thambidurai, Madras	3	00
	3	00

Field Receipts

	Rs.	P.
Jawadhi Hills	77	86
Ishapanthy Ashram	25	00
Bageswar	5	00
Bharathpur	2	00
Dabra	27	00
Muddebihal	19	85

Thro' Rev. J. M. Jayasingh

Prayer meeting collection at Mr. G. Devaraj's house	16	40
Mrs. Nesam Yesudian	15	00
Mr. R. I. Rajasingh	4	00
.. J. F. R. Moses	20	00
.. S. A. Ebenezer	25	00
.. J. C. Raj	10	00
.. Nathaniel	2	00
.. J. Jothamani	2	50
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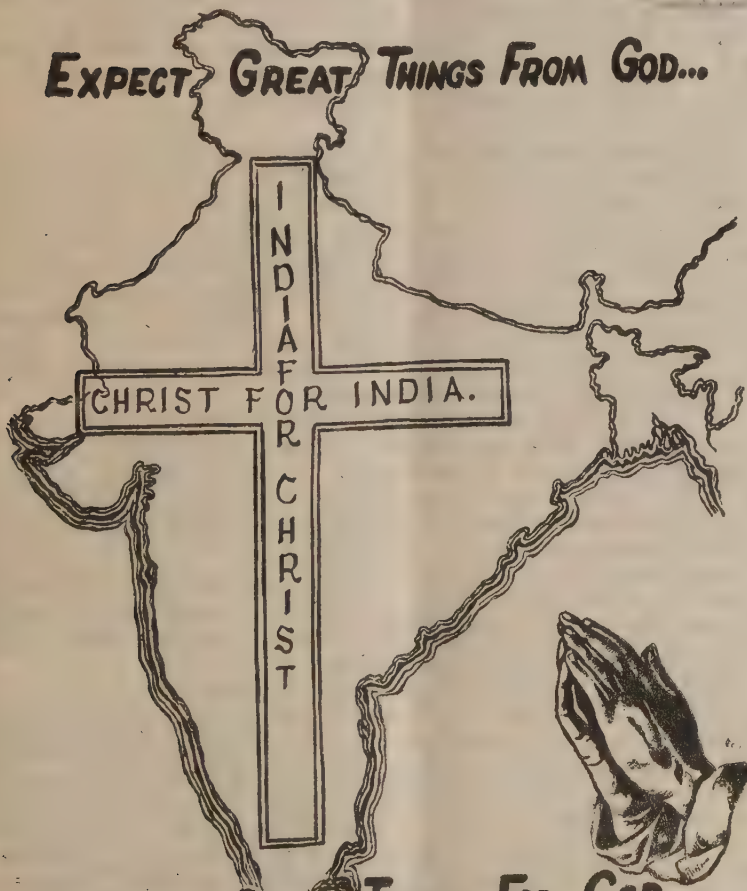
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EXPECT GREAT THINGS FROM GOD...



ATTEMPT GREAT THINGS FOR GOD...

The National Missionary Society Of India

CALL TO PRAYER 1974.

*by the Rev. C. B. Rao, M.A., B.D.,
Missionary, Rewa Mission*

October 7—13, 1974

N.M.S. SUNDAY Oct. 13th, 1974

A Call to Prayer :

The National Missionary Society exists because of the prayers of loyal and faithful supporters of the N.M.S. The founders of the N.M.S. prayed together before the N.M.S. was founded in Serampore on the Christmas Day in 1905. Therefore if the N.M.S. should exist today and continue its work and if the work of the N.M.S. should expand for God's glory and the furtherance of His kingdom, prayer is the greatest need of the hour.

What do we do in prayer ?

In prayer we meet our Lord and place before Him in faith our petitions regarding the N.M.S. We ask God for His help to do His work. N.M.S. is God's work where the Gospel, the Good News that Jesus Christ is the Saviour of the world, is taken to different places in India, places where foreign missionaries had not gone, places where the established Churches have not gone. God would listen to the prayers of the faithful. There is no selfishness in such prayers. We are placing our needs before God. The needs are the aids for the spread of the Gospel, to help those that are involved in this great missionary task.

The N.M.S. work is expanding. During the last five years, the work of the N.M.S. has doubled. This is due to God's help. This is due to the prayer of the faithful. In this expansion of the work of the N.M.S., there is nothing for us to be proud of. In fact we should humble ourselves and thank and praise God for His continued help and guidance in this great work.

Some times, human weakness enters by the instigation of Satan to spoil the growing work of the N.M.S. We should pray to God to protect us and the work of the N.M.S. from the trials and attempts of Satan to hinder God's work.

Some times, we feel that people are not properly supporting this great work, not supporting as they ought to support. We should pray to God to inspire the people to co-operate in this great work.

In our prayers, we should particularly remember the active workers in the N.M.S. in different parts of India, at the throne of Grace, for His Mighty presence with them, always to inspire them and to be a pillar of light and shade to them, in the midst of their difficulties, trials, temptations and hindrances as God's presence

was with the greatest of all missionaries of all time, viz., St. Paul. His presence will be a great tower of strength, a great comfort and a great inspiration for our workers in the N.M.S.

We should remember the General-Secretary, as he goes about visiting the missionary fields, as he goes about starting new centres of work, so that there may be proper response from the people. We should pray to God for our General Secretary's physical, mental and spiritual strength to stand the strain in carrying out this ever-expanding organisation of the N.M.S. which is an aid to the spread of the Gospel.

We should remember the organising secretaries and all the missionaries who have sacrificed their comforts to do God's work, so that God may be with them and guide them in their missionary work.

We should pray for the members of the various committees, central and regional, throughout India who give their helping hand in this great work.

We should pray for the supporters, individuals and groups, particularly the Churches in India, to strengthen this work and consider this work as the missionary arm of the Church in India, so that God may provoke and inspire the Heads of the Churches and the members of the Churches to consider this work as part of the great mission and entrusted to them by our Lord.

We thank God for supporting the work of the N.M.S. thus far and proceed with faith in Him because the N.M.S. work is a venture of faith and prayer,

"Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving". Col. 4: 2.

A. J. SHAW,
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K. G. S. DORAIRAJ,
General Secretary.

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Hon. Treasurer.

C. B. RAO,
Missionary
'Rewa Mission'
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If October 13th is not suitable to any congregation to observe the N.M.S. Sunday, they can observe the same on any other convenient Sunday.

Collections taken in the N.M.S. meeting and in the N.M.S. Sunday Service or by special collection may kindly be forwarded to the Hon. Treasurer, N.M.S. 102, Peter's Road, Madras-14

Please note.

Those who need "Call to Prayer" in English and Tamil may please write to the N.M.S. Office, 102, Peter's Road, Royapettah, Madras-14. Kanada Marathi from Mr. J. P. Ashwal Hindi from Mr. Paul Singh.

AN APPEAL

From the General Secretary, The N.M.S. of India for the
Observance of the N.M.S. Sunday, 1974

To

The Moderators, Bishops, Heads of Churches and Pastors.

Dear Colleagues in the Lords Vineyard.

Greetings to you in the name of Our Lord. Jesus who has all authority and who has committed to us the task of preaching the gospel to all nations.

As usual the N.M.S. Prayer week and N.M.S. Sunday falls on 1974 October 7th to 13th, 13th being the N.M.S. Sunday. The main purpose of observing the N.M.S. Sunday is to unite all Christians as churches, institutions, branches and individuals in our beloved motherland in prayer to the 'Lord of Harvest' to send enough labourers and resources to fulfil His mission of winning India for Him.

So, we send this appeal with a heart full of thanks for His mercies in the life and work of the society in the past year. The society depending on the motto,

"Expect great things from God
Attempt great things for God"

has increased its centres of labour. It works in 12 different centres in 8 different states with 38 paid workers and eight honorary workers.

All the centres are fruitful ones, having converts and getting increased responses. So, we request the heads of the churches, to kindly direct the churches and institutions under their jurisdiction to observe the N.M.S. prayer week and the N.M.S. Sunday.

In this connection may I kindly bring to you the following.

1. The N.M.S. was born out of the churches in India and exists 'as an evangelistic arm of the churches in India.' So its main concern is as per objects of the society to create evangelistic zeal in the local churches. It continues to work for the same.

2. The N.M.S. encourages christians to be loyal members of their respective churches in fellowship, in giving and by involving themselves in the evangelistic project of their churches.

3. N.M.S. appeals for support by prayer and contribution
TO CARRY THE GOSPEL ON THEIR BEHALF to the un-reached people.

The N.M.S. workers are in most difficult places devoid communication and comforts, and are often faced with persecution. But they are there in obedience to God's call on our behalf. Some of them are man handled and threatened constantly. So, they need your prayers with concern.

The N.M.S. Missionaries work on sacrificial basis. Their stipends are meagre and they are unable to make both ends meet. Hence our appeal to churches to give to the society that Sunday collection 13-10-74 if possible. If not may, I kindly request the presbyters to make announcement about the N.M.S. and its needs and the need of the missionary task in this country on the N.M.S. Sunday and forward the donation to us. The N.M.S. task is the Lord's task and the contribution to that work is the contribution to the Lord's work.

The branches and supporters are requested to arrange for Missionary Prayer meetings during the week to tell people about the N.M.S. and its work. A collection may be taken in these meetings and the same forwarded to us.

Counting on your co-operation, with prayers.

Yours in His Service.

REV. K. G. S. DORAIRAJ,
General Secretary.

PRAYER

O, Lord Our God, who revealed your love to the lost mankind, by sending your only son Jesus Christ, who died on the cross for us in obedience to your will to save us, we thank you for your great act. We thank you for using men who are nothing to the world to carry out the great commission of your son 'to disciple' the world and for stirring your people to realise their responsibility by raising servants from time to time like the founders of the National Missionary Society to give us vision and burden to carry the Gospel to the people who had no opportunity to hear your good news. We also thank you for enabling the society to carry on the task faithfully for the last 69 years with the resources from your faithful ones in our country. Help us O Lord to realise the responsibility for 97.24% of our fellow countrymen and women who still have no opportunity to hear the Gospel and to help the National Missionary Society to carry on the great task with our prayers personal witness and with sacrificial giving. Help us Lord to hear your voice, "Whom Shall I send Who will Go for us." We pray to you to send more labourers as the harvest is great. Through your son Jesus Christ. Amen.

Hints For A Missionary Task On N.M.S. Sunday

*"And how could they have faith in one they had never heard of?
And how hear without someone to spread the news?
Add how could anyone spread the news without a commission to do so?
Rom. 10: 14-15 (N.E.B.)"*

St. Paul who was constrained by the love of God, who saved him, to be under the obligation to preach the Gospel both to the civilised and uncivilised, to the wise and the foolish, feels the greatness and vastness of the task of evangelising the then new world. He is constrained and tells in his letter, to necessitate the urge to his own kindred as well as others, with the 'Good News', by sending messengers. Though the Indian Christians received the Gospel 19 hundred years ago, there are only 2.66% of Christians of the total population in our country. This reveals our insensateness to the constrain of the love of Christ, who died to save us. And it also reveals our disobedience to the 'Heavenly Vision' to take the Gospel to all nations, especially to the people of our motherland. So, God acted through His faithful ones in the church to form the National Missionary Society of India, to stir the church to realise her mission.

The National Missionary Society of India is an indigenous national and inter denominational missionary body, born out of the Churches in India in 1905. It works as an evangelistic arm of the Churches in India presenting the gospel in the unreached places on behalf of the Church with the support of the Church. It has faithfully carried on the work under great stress and strain in different parts of this country and handed over the congregations it founded with the converts to the local churches with all the property attached to it. Today, the Society carries on the work in the following places :

1. Nepal—Butwal. Workers: Mr. & Mrs. V. T. Abraham. In accordance with the vision of the late Sadhu Sunder Singh, the Society started its work about 13 years ago. It has founded a congregation which is self supporting, self managing, and self propagating. Direct evangelism is still prohibited in Nepal. There had been arrests; of both the person who baptised and those that were baptised recently. The Society is planning to open another center in Nepal. There had been baptisms recently in secret places.

2. U. P.—Bageshwar: Workers: Mr. Bachi Singh. This is an unreached place 126 miles from Kathgodam, the last railway Station, among the Himalayan ranges and a Hindu pilgrim centre. Our evangelist faces stout opposition from the Jana Sangh. This work is carried on under the supervision of the District Superintendent of Almora, Methodist Church.

3. **Rajasthan—Pushkar :** Workers : The Rev. S. C. P. Tyagi and one to be appointed. The work was started here about 8 years ago with the Rev. Tyagi as our evangelist. He was opposed by the Jansangh people and even manhandled. In spite of that, the Rev. S. C. P. Tyagi carried on his work courageously and won about 4 souls for Christ and handed them over to the local church. Rev. Tyagi's work has made an impact on the community here, so that he was able to conduct public meetings under the chairmanship of local officials. There are some enquirers ready to be baptised. Rev. S. C. P. Tyagi and his family moved to Ajmer to work at Pushkar—a Hindu religious centre. Before leaving, M/s. Lakshmin Narayan Sharma and Ram Ratan Ambesh were baptised. These converts were badly manhandled and Rev. Tyagi was threatened,

4. **West Bengal—Malligachi.** Workers : Mr. & Mrs. P. R. Gupta. This is a very backward place in West Bengal in Howrah District, about 50 kilometers from Calcutta. People look with some suspicion on the work of the evangelist. He is boldly bearing witness in that he teaches the people the true religion and the true God. His wife helps him in running the educational centre and helping the backward people, which is a means to contact the backward people in that area. A house cum chapel is being built on a piece of land donated by a Hindu. Three people are being prepared, for baptism. There is need for Rs. 3000 to complete this scheme.

5. **Madhya Pradesh—Dabra.** Worker : The Rev. Edwin Sherring. The evangelist goes on regular tour visiting villages within the radius of 20 miles around Dabra. He preaches the gospel, distributing literature and contacting people. He also contacts the mass movement scattered Christians who have no pastoral care and connection with pastorate. We had a brahmin convert by name David Mangaldas who is very strong in the faith. There is another brahmin enquirer.

6. **Mysore—Muddebihal.** Worker : Mr. Franklin Bhasme. Among the Southern States, Mysore is a very backward place in the missionary enterprises. With the help of the Bombay friends we opened a centre, Mr. Bhasme has regular gospel tour and contacts individuals, Hindus and Muslims. He also tenders pastoral care for the unshepherded sheep.

7. **Orissa—Puri** Workers : Hon. Workers : Mr. & Mrs. K. Koteswara Rao, the Rev. Paul Sanjeevi, Mr. & Mrs. Roshiah Mr. Barnabas & Siddu Bishwal. Teachers : 3. We carry on the work in this important centre. This is the most fruitful work. 3 years ago about 30 fishermen accepted Christ and joined the

church by baptism. Inspite of the opposition of the State Legislation and local community, they brought 12 more within 3 months. Now we have a congregation of 85. This little congregation had made a very good impact on the local christians and as well as on the Hindu community. They are a giving church, self managed, self propagating christian community. There are some 15 enquirers still waiting to be received by the church. We have started work among the Oriya speaking people. The church cum school had been rebuilt without any aid from anybody. We need another Telugu-worker. We had to close down the Library which was a useful centre for our worker, evangelistic work, because of the bad state of the building.

We thank the friends who responded well to our appeal to repair the library. The amount was forwarded to the Treasurer of the Cuttack Diocese of the Church of North India, to get the building repaired. We need an Oriya worker to carry on the library work.

8. An extension of Puri work :, Andhra Pradesh-Uppada.

One of our converts from Puri went and established business in Uppada, in East Godavari District. There in Uppada he found that a Christian congregation was disintegrating itself due to internal conflict. He collected the faithful ones and formed them into a fellowship, which necessitated to put up a building at his own cost. So, that work needed a worker. Mr. & Mrs. Roshiah are stationed there. They have a congregation of 25 including 20 communicants. There are enquirers waiting to be baptised.

9. Jawadhi Hills : Tamil Nadu. Workers : The Rev. D. Elias, evangelists Mr. N. Victor Mr. P. Rajian, Mr. Gnanamuthu, Mr. O. James Meyyan and Mr. Dhiraviam. Probationers : Mr. Paulian, Mr. A. C. Nayagam, and Stanley. Nurses, Mrs. Madhuravarn, Mrs. Esther Robertson & Miss Sarammal George. We carry on the work in 8 centres with 4 evangelists and 3 nurses under the supervision of the Rev. D. Elias our missionary. The little congregation at Kalyanamandai is showing some sign of growth in grece. We had two converts. We hope the harvest may be great in the future. The nurses though they do not have the help of the doctor, treat at least 1000 patients in a month. There is a plan to build a hostel for the girl students to get the enlightenment with their study. Our work has expanded to two other centres. *Alleri* in an unreached part of the Jawadhi hills.

SIKKIM :- With the approval of the Church in that area we planned to open a centre from November 1972, to work in Sikkim from Kalimpong side as per the advice of the Church. Mr. V. T. Abraham and his family will be in charge of this place.

It is a vast unoccupied area within India side and Sikkim ; The Rev. V. S. Varma has been recommended by the U. P. Area Committee for Nepal.

10. BIHAR :— As a result of prayers for 3 years, we were able to open a centre in Bihar with the financial support of the Dindigul Branch. Mr. John Thomas was appointed to work in Dhanbad—a coal mining centre, in consultation with the Bishop in Chota Nagpur. He reports that there is a good response and the people are eager to hear the Gospel.

11. MANIPUR :— Workers—Mr. and Mrs. Paul :

Mr. and Mrs. Paul volunteered to be Honorary workers under the N.M.S., which was accepted. They mainly work among the youths in Manipur.

12. JAWHAR :— (Maharashtra)

A new centre at Jawhar, in Thana district in Maharashtra was opened recently. This is a work among the Adivasis, opened on the Independence Day of this year. This project is supported by the BOMBAY Area Committee.

Our long expected Sikkim work could not be started because, the appointed worker couldn't join duty. We pray for a worker to start the work.

In the Andamans we have fixed one worker. We await the direction and instruction of the Bishop in Andamans to appoint the worker. This project will be supported by the Tamils in Bombay.

ORGANISING SECRETARIES :- There are three organising Secretaries. 1. The Rev. J. M. Jayasingh for Tamil Nadu & Kerala. 2. Mr. Paul Singh for Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh. 3. Mr. J. P. Ashwal for Maharashtra and Mysore. 4. Rev. V. E. Johnsons, Honorary, organising Secretary for Andhra. They tour round the respective States and do the organising work,

FINANCE :- The Annual budget for this year is 1,65,000. The resource of our Society is meagre, but our workers are loyal and devoted. We request the members and friends to pray for the Society and its work. The increased cost of living necessitates increased stipend for our workers.

There are still more unoccupied places like Kashmir, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab and Bhutan. We request the friends to help us by observing the N.M.S. Sunday, prayer meetings and liberal giving.

Total number of paid workers: 37 inclusive of 3 Nurses.
8. Honorary workers.

BAPTISMS : YEAR 1970—1973.

Place	No. of persons baptised	Total No. of Christian Community cared for by the N.M S.
Jawadhi Hills	11	39
Puri, Orissa	49	85
Rajasthan	21	21
Dabra : 2, Butwal : 10, & Bageshwar : 2		14

What is your share in this great task ?

Let us then be up and doing

K.G.S. DORAIRAJ,
General Secretary.

TRIENNIAL CONFERENCE

The Triennial Conference of the Society will be held in Goodwill Girls School premises at Bangalore, from October 10th to 13th, 1974.

The Bible study in the mornings, and the Missionary talks in different churches in the evenings.

A Missionary exhibition will be held. All are welcome to attend. Please pray for the conference.

Subscriptions received for the Month of July 1974.

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Madhya Pradesh					
<i>Thro' Mr. Paul Singh</i>			Treasurer, St. Mary's Church, Madras-9	100	00
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" D. K. T. Felix	9	00
" A. N. Dorairaj, Trichy	5	00
" S. J. Abraham, Kulitalai	5	00
" G. H. Clarence	10	00
" C. J. Antony. Pudukottai	3	00
Mrs. G. I. Sathiaraj Nagapatnam	10	00
Rev. J. A. Balasingh, Kulathur	5	00
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" R. Georgeraj, Madurai	10	00
Miss S R Kanakamani	2	00
Mr. Paul Kirubanathan	5	00
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Thro' Mrs. Baskarraj, Ammuguda Primary school	46	00
Thro' Mrs. S. D. N. Paul, Secundrabad. A.P.	100	00
Mr. A. G. P. Devasigamani, A. P.	20	00
Dt. George Thomas	15	00
Mis: K. Chandravathy, Kavali	100	00
Rev. Dr. A. N. Gopal, Luthergiri	10	00
	291	00

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	Rs.	P.
Miss Avale, S. Arabia	217	30
	217	30

Birthday Gifts

	Rs.	P.
Mr. J. D. John Thomas Secunderabad	20	00
Mr. J. Kenneth, Madras-14	2	00
" J. A. David	5	00
Mrs. J. P. Ashwal	3	00
	30	00

Field Receipts

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Jawadhi Hills	45	00
Ishapanthy Ashram	25	00
Bageshwar	5	00
<i>Dabra Thro' Rev. Sherring</i>		
Rev. Edwin Sherring	10	00
Mr. D. V. Hoffman	5	00
Mrs. T. John	5	00
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Mr. & Mrs. Yaqub Masih	2	00
Master Benjamin Masih	2	00
Muddebihal	18	00
Uppada	5	00

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Mr. George Williams	5	00	„ R. Jayakumar,		
Mrs. A. D. John	12	00	Madras-10	100	00
Mr. A. David	5	00	Mr. A. John Chandy	25	00
K.G.F. Area	20	00	„ A. G. P. Devasigamani	20	00
Mrs. Mary Amma			„ C. G. Joseph, Madras-7	50	00
Coimbatore	2	00	Mrs. L. Yesudian, Madras-34	30	00
Mrs. Mangalam,			Mr. Ernest John, Madras-2	25	00
Coimbatore	50	00	Mr. & Mrs. Karkada,		
North Tamil area			Bahrain	200	00
conference collections for			Mr. & Mrs. J. G. Abraham,		
Medical Instruments at			Madras-30	500	00
Jawadhi	79	25	Mr. D. Rajaratnam,		
For Puri Library work	79	22	Hyderabad	100	00
Mrs. Esther Matheson	5	00	Mrs Joyce Moses,		
Mrs. Daisy Rajaratnam,			Nagercoil	50	00
Ms.43	10	00	Mr. E. V. John, Bangalore	10	00
	414	47	Mrs. E. C. Harris, Bombay-8	25	00
			Mr. Augustine Chellappa	3	00
			„ A. E. James, Allahabad	100	00
			„ A. D. H. Jayaseelan,		
			Calicut	200	00
	Rs.	P.	Dr. M. G. Samuel, Tiruvella	50	00
			Anonymous from Bareilly	100	00
Treasurer, N.M.S. Dindigul			<i>Thro' Miss M. M Singh</i>		
branch towards Bihar	250	00	Mrs. K. M. Dhar	25	00
Treasurer, Madurai branch			Miss Ivy S Dhar	25	00
towards scholarship for			„ Violet C. Dhar	25	00
Mr. Abraham's son	80	00	Dr. Augustus I. Dhar	25	00
Miss M. S Dewaji, Gujarat				4523	00
for Athipet Electric					
repair	300	00			
Treasurer, Emmanuel					
Methodist Church	2000	00			
Mr D. F. T. Suriya for the					
Old Medow fund	100	00			
For Puri Library Work					
Miss L. S. Thomas, Calicut	50	00			
„ M. Kallat, Calicut	10	00			
Mrs. V Salins, Kuwait	25	00			
Mr. J. P. Ashwal, Bombay	10	00			
„ Mohan I. Soans Vikroli	10	00			

Tribal Scholarship

	Rs.	P.
Mrs H. Jacob, Munnar	6	00
Mr. J. S. Premkumar,		
Ranipet	25	00
	31	00

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MESSAGE

'I will arise and go'

Luke 15: 18.

Life has often been compared to a journey and the tragedy of many a life in the end has been the result of taking the wrong bus. D. L. Moody working under a great pressure of engagement was late for a meeting and in his hurry took a cab not enquiring where it was bound. To his great dismay, he found too late, that he had taken a wrong cab and so missed a meeting. The prodigal, on his release from the restraints of home, did not board a bus directly to the swines' pen. He wanted to be left to himself, to be free and to follow his desires; but he took the wrong bus and landed in a mess. It is very significant that St. Luke concludes the adventures of the prodigal with the words 'He came to himself'.

This released in the prodigal a sense of shame. This guilt complex with many has resulted in disastrous consequences as suicides, mental disorders following self reproach. Fortunately, the prodigal in his sense of shame thought of his father and home and was guided by a healthy, positive and constructive use of shame. He made up his mind and said to himself "I will arise and go".

Preachers have often divided people as of two kinds, the penitent and the impenitent. There are the impenitents, proud, self satisfied like the prodigal's elder brother boasting to his father "I have never transgressed a commandment of thine". There are some penitents ashamed of themselves, desperate, and internally torn by self reproach, never come home at all, but end their lives as disintegrated souls. These are not the two kinds of people, but three. The third kind of people are like the prodigal, who hate themselves for their failure but find in that sense of shame, the most stimulating experience of their lives and standing up even in the midst of the swine pasture and cry "I will arise and go". We are told not to waste any thing. Let us not waste our moral failure; though it is deplorable, don't waste it. Lord Bacon succinctly said "success is not final nor failure fatal". Undefeated, let us say with the Prodigal "I will arise and go".

As for our personal lives, we are all in some degree, like that youth in the 'Far country'. He was not one self, but two, a prodigal and a son. He was both; and everything depended on which of the two he thought he really was. Had he thought of himself as really a prodigal, he would have stayed in the swine pasture, sunk in shame. But one day, something happened in him. Deep within himself, he said even in the swine slush "I am really a son" "I will arise and go".

E. P. G.

The International Congress On World Evangelisation Lausanne'74. Switzerland

At the outset, I have to thank God, the friends who gave my name to the organisers of the conference and the organisers who invited me as a 'participant' in the conference. I am also grateful to the Executive Committee of the N.M.S. for permitting me to attend the conference with financial aid to pay for the contribution that was expected of me.

Attending the conference, benefitted me in my personal spiritual life as well as in the work of the N.M.S., which came into existence to evangelise India and the surrounding countries.

The conference was held in the beautiful country of Switzerland at Lausanne, a neat and beautiful city on the lake Geneva facing France in the palatial Palais de Beaulieu. Perfect arrangements had been made to accommodate 4000 people at a time for plenary sessions, with perfect lighting, sound and projection arrangements. Temporary constructions such as a chapel small apartments for group meetings were put up. It was a wonderful arrangement for 4000 people to dine at the same time. The organisers deserve all admiration and congratulation. The cost of the conference as reported was Rs. 2.8 crores.

There were about 4000 people including 2700 participants from 150 nations of the world. Most of them were from the third world (i.e.) East Asia, Africa and Latin America. From India alone, more than 200 people were invited. The people of all colour, race, culture and different creeds of Christianity were there and mingled together without any distinction. This was a great demonstration how the whole human family can be one if they are really 'in Christ'.

It was made clear even at the beginning of the conference that those who attended the conference were invited in their individual capacity, but not as official representatives of any church or Para church organisation.

There were people from all Christian denominations and sects, who would not come together in their respective countries or towns. They moved without any distinction of race, or religion sectarianism. It was also a demonstration, how the Church can be an effective witness to her Saviour, if they have unity as one body with their diversity in creed, practice and tradition.

The Lausanne conference was one of the greatest events in the world church history and it was the greatest of any Christian conference held so far in Christendom. The conference started with the presidential address from Dr. Billy Graham, the Acting Chairman of the conference. Dr. Billy Graham said this conference was an answer to the prayers for 14 long years with intensive preparation for three years. Not less than 1 million people prayed for it in different parts of the world. Dr. Billy Graham quoted, Bishop Lesslie Newbigin statement and said, "The sense of direction, the feeling of urgency and the depth of the conviction which underlay the slogan, "The Evangelisation of the world in this generation" are not present today in anything like the same measure in most of the bodies represented in the World Council of churches as they were 60 years ago". And also it is a counter-action to the modern theology; which they felt, was based on incorrect understanding of the Bible and brought down the uniqueness of Christ. It was made clear also that it was not a counter organisation of the world council of churches, but they were not willing to compromise with diluted theology and syncretism. So, the conference was called with an urgency to urge the Christians of the world to realise the command of the Lord to 'go and preach the Gospel' with the slogan 'Let the earth hear His voice,. That was the theme of the conference.

The following points were impressed upon me by the conference in relation to the N.M.S.

1. The conference called on the Christian community of the world to obey the God's command through His Son Jesus to 'go..... make disciples of all nations'. So, the conference was a call to penitence with relation of the immensity of the unfinished task of evangelisation.
2. There was self criticism of evangelicals against the feeling of Triumphalism and Seclusion in contrast with the

spiritually superior air and exclusiveness among the evangelicals we find in our country.

3. There was emphasis for co-operation and co-ordination among the evangelical agencies of the church and para-church organisations. They felt the need to pray, to plan and work together for the evangelisation of the world. They felt the need of visible unity among the Christians to be effective witnesses unto our Lord.
4. The conference placed emphasis on the church centred 'and church oriented evangelism' The world evangelisation requires the whole church to take the whole Gospel to the whole world. The church is at the very centre of God's cosmic purpose and is His appointed means of spreading the Gospel.
5. The whole conference was working up on the affirmation that the Bible is the divine, inspired word of God revealing the Truth of God. So, the Bible containing both the old and new Testament is the only written word of God. So, the evangelisation must be true to the word of God and it has the power to illuminate the minds of people.
6. The conference also felt that a section of modern teaching has weakened the authority of the Bible, diluted the Christian theology and led to syncretism and affirmed that the Gospel is unchangeable, as Christ and the word of God is unchangeable. So, the Gospel preached must proclaim as Christ is the only Way of salvation and He is the only saviour of the world.
7. The evangelisation also demands involvement in Christian Social action. Social gospel alone cannot be the gospel, nor the gospel without social involvement is effective. So, the conference affirmed "that evangelism and social-political involvement were both parts of our Christian duty.
8. The conference felt the urgency of the evangelistic task in the world. More than two thirds of the world population is still unreached by the Gospel. To impress upon the people, they installed a population clock which ticked and indicated the new birth every second and the increase everyday in the world population. So, with every increase in the population, the immensity of the unfinished task

increased. So, there is urgent need for every Christian to be 'Witness unto Him'.

From the foregoing statement every, one can realise that the N.M.S. was brought into existence at the beginning of this century with the same urgency with the same slogan, 'evangelisation of India in our generation'. This conference impressed on me the relevance of the N.M.S. in the evangelisation of India, 97% of its population is still outside the fold and it indicates the immensity of the unfinished task. So, this is a push to me to have the vision of the future task of the society in India.

'Let the earth hear His voice'.

Go.....make disciples'.

(K.G.S. DORAIRAJ)

General Secretary,

N.M.S.

N.M.S. FIELD REPORTS

JAWADHI HILLS:—

ATHIPET :—Mr. P. Rajian Writes :—

On account of agricultural work in the fields, children are unable to attend the night school in good numbers. I visited several villages with my wife and spoke to them about the Gospel.

NADANOOR :—Mr. S. Gnanamuthu writes :—

Dr. C. K. John promised to go over here on 4th August 1974 to inspect the site for the building of a prayer room and dispensary. Last month in connection with the building of the above, the village officer and his assistants came to my place and removed shrubs, made plain the land and fenced the place. The villagers are much pleased. 4 students from Nadanoor have been sent to Jamanamarathur for study. I hope Gospel work will flourish here in future.

THONGUMALAI :—Mr. James Meyyen writes :—

I preached the Gospel in the neighbouring villages on Sundays and week days, and conducted day school. I am giving special

coaching in study for the tribal boys. Prayers of friends are required.

KALYANAMANTHAI :—Mr. N. Victor writes.

Of late there are a few backsliders, the attendance at the Sunday service is rather poor. I continue to hold services and go to the neighbouring villages on Gospel work.

Mrs. Madura Bai and Saramma George write :—

We are regularly attending to medical work. 10 patients a day on an average attend the dispensary. A certain woman delivered a child a month ago but she has developed some complications. She is unable to walk. Though she gets treatment from Alamgayam Hospital, there is no improvement. Friends are requested to pray for her.

VEERAPANUR :—Mr. A. Thiraviyam Writes :—

Chinnaraj Gounder is ill with stomach ache for the last five years. He requests the prayers of friends. In a certain village I spoke about the Gospel. Mr. Iyavo Goundar and others heard the message with great interest but disbelieved in Hell or Heaven, but appeared to have faith in Christianity. On account of their illiteracy, they ask all sorts of questions. I try my best to clear their doubts. Prayers of friends are requested.

JAMANAMARATHUR :—Mrs. Esther Robertson writes :—

I am attending to medical work. On an average 12 patients are being treated in a day. Gospel is being preached regularly.

ALLERI :—Mr. Stanley Nayagam writes :—

I am regularly conducting day and night schools. I am also helping in the building work. Prayers are requested for the building work (Chapel and dispensary) and for the students at Alleri.

KUNDALATHUR :—Mr. J. Paulian writes :—

I am doing Gospel work in all the surrounding villages. Night school is regularly going on.

WEST BENGAL :—Mr. D. Mitra writes :—

The Annual report of the West Bengal committee was presented to the members. The following office bearers were elected.

President Mr. R. N. Mukerjee, Vice President—Mr. A. J. Samuei Secretary—Mr. D. Mitra, Joint—Secretary—Mr. D. S. Aruldas, Treasurer—Mr. K. A. Ezra.

Mr. P. R. Gupta the N.M.S. worker is carrying on evangelistic work not only in Malligachi but also in the neighbouring villages. We have now 10 enquirers ready for baptism. More and more people are coming forward to hear the Gospel message.

Though we constructed the two-room building, we could not plaster the walls and build a bath room and kitchen. Friends are requested to come forward with their gifts for the purpose.

The accounts of the committee was audited. There is a credit balance of Rs. 404.51 in the general fund and Rs. 101.75 in the Nebogram account. Our contribution to the General Head Quarters was Rs. 2,620.00.

(Bengal Branch (West))	1300
St. Saviour Church	1210
Others	110
	2620

During the year the receipts & Expenditure were as under

Receipts		Expenditure	
	Rs. P.		Rs. P.
Members contribution	960 30	Sent Head Quarters	1,300 00
Donation upper room	111 00	Peon	60 00
Marthoma Church	50 00	Misc. items	189 50
Howrah Baptist Church	100 00	Closing Balance	404 51
Lower Circular Baptist Church	50 00		
Misc, Bank interest	106 85		
Opening balance	565 86		
	1,954 01		1,954 01

Nabogram Account as on 31st March 1974

Receipts		Payment	
	Rs. P.		Rs. P.
Opening Balance	151 75	Fencing	100 00
from General A/c.	100 00	Purchase of cot	50 00
		Closing Balance	101 75
	251 75		251 75

DABRA GWALIOR :—Rev. Edwin Sherring writes :—

Preached in churches on Sundays. Visited Jhansi, Gwalior, Datia, By our labours and prayers one young man Jatandar Dubey aged 25 years was baptised on 11—7—74 and also got married. Members are requested to pray for the couple.

BAGESWAR :—Mr. Bachis Singh Writes :—

Visited several neighbouring villages and did Gospel work. Contacted 4 Govt. officers and 5 college teachers & 3 non-Christian families.

Conducted services on Sundays. I visit Harijan Mohallah and bus station and shop keepers regularly and distribute tracts. Please pray for my work.

DHANBAD :—Mr. John Thomas Writes :—

Bihar is a very backward state in so far as Christianity is concerned. Bible students from Hindustan Bible Institute came here for a time and assisted me. One young man Prabhu Narayan Prasad has come forward to accept Christ. I am coaching him in Christian faith. Let us pray for him. Two more persons are interested in the Gospel and they are visiting us. I am giving necessary instructions. I have started a Sunday School in the Central Hospital—Dhanbad for Christians and non-Christians. The school is very popular. Many local Christians want prayer meetings in their houses. On account of language difficulty I am using English and Hindi. It will be nice if I am given training in the Ranchi Seminary. I am conducting prayer meetings in the houses of nurses also.

Report of the Rev. J. M. Jayasingh

Organising Secretary N.M.S. South India.

Dear Friends,

Greetings to you in the sweet name of Jesus.

I trust that you are all remembering me and the N.M.S. work in your daily prayers. Though the work is hard, it is challenging in every respect.

During the month after the conference in Coimbatore, I visited Madurai (27th July), Kerala, Tiruvella 2nd August. At Madurai, we discussed the possibilities of developing Madurai and Pasumalai branches. At Tiruvalla, Mr. K.V. Cherian welcomed me and we had a plain talk with the leaders of the Marthoma Church and the Bishop about the relationship between the Marthoma Church and the N.M.S. The Metropolitan suggested the revival of the N.M.S. in Tiruvalla. On the birthday of the Metropolitan all presbyters met and prayed for the N.M.S.

On the 12th August, a meeting was held in which the metropolitan, Bishop of Marthoma, C.S.I. Evangelical Church and the Brigadier of the Salvation army took part. At the meeting, I spoke on the N.M.S. After a discussion, an adhoc committee was formed to revive the branch.

From 7th to 11th August, I was in Kumplampoika for the retreat of the Marthoma Church. I planned to revive a branch.

I came back to Tiruvalla on the 12th and gave a talk in 4 institutions. I participated in the retreat of the C.S.I. Church at Ernakulam where we discussed about the possibility of forming a N.M.S. branch by both Marthoma and C.S.I. An adhoc committee was formed with Revds. Alexander and Jacob Thomas.

20-25th August at Alleppy. First 3 days we had meetings at the Y.M.C.A and the rest in the Evangelical church. Coming back to Ernakulam, I took part in the prayers meetings where mostly officers had gathered and shared their experiences having met hostel young men and communist students.

On the way back to Coimbatore, I met the Rev. P. J. Thomas at Perunbavoor.

Sd. J. M. JAYASINGH,
Organising Secretary.
N.M.S.

An Off-Shoot Of Puri-Uppada—Our New Station.

About three years ago, one of our converts in Puri, named Mr. K. Chionna, went and started fishing business at Uppada — a seacoast panchayat village about 6 km. from Pithapuram Railway station on the Madras-Waltair Rail route. When he went there, he tried to attend a Christian congregation about 2 miles away. But, he found that there was no fellowship and unity because of caste status fights for power. Uppada is a Hindu-village. There are some Christians who do not attend the church. So, he collected them into a fellowship and started a prayer meeting. When he felt the need for a separate place for worship, he built a chapel himself costing not less than Rs. 10,000/- and approached us for a worker. As we couldn't oblige, he was making use of the stray free lancers who contradicted themselves in their belief and practice and only wanted money. He got discouraged.

He invited the General Secretary to visit the place. On visiting the place, The General Secretary realised the valuable work he had done. The stray Christians were not only collected, but also some enquirers from other community gathered. As it is a Hindu centre with no Christian church in it, and as he had done so much, we sent Mr. and Mrs. Roshiah from Puri to be in that centre.

The General Secretary visited the centre on the 14th and 15th September 1974. He was happy that he was taken around to meet the Christians as well as the Hindu enquirers. On the 16th morning we had a church-full service for three hours followed by a common meal. In the evening, after visiting some of the Hindu families, we had a public open-air meeting. It was well attended. The Rev. Paul Sanjeevi gave his witness and the General Secretary preached the Gospel by his personal experience in Christ. The little congregation gave that day's collection of Rs. 75/- which was set aside for the expense of the Triennial conference, and Rs. 500/- of which Rs. 250/- will go to the General Fund and Rs. 250/- will be reserved for the Uppada chapel fund. The chapel is named 'N.M.S. Missionary Chapel'.

A New Centre In Maharashtra—Jawhar In The Thana District.

Last year, the Kannadiga friends of the Bombay Area committee sought the permission of the Executive committee to open a centre among the Adivasis in the Thana District. This is

the second project they are willing to support, the first being Muddebihal. The Executive committee accepted the offer.

Mr. Daniel F. Palaspagar was appointed as our worker and dedicated on the 15th August 1974. Mr. J. P. Ashwal the Area committee Secretary as well as the Organising Secretary of West India, writes as follows :

"I am happy to write that God opened a way for the Bombay Area committee to step into a new field, Jawhar in Maharashtra, which is the second centre. Brother Daniel has been posted as an evangelist on 15.8.74 to work among the Adivasis who are in majority in this Taluk. In this connection, a dedication service was held under the Chairmanship of the Rev. G. Vedamuthu (U.B.M. Church). The Rev. Th. B. Williams offered a prayer. Mr. John Herbert, President of the U.B.M. Church Council Bombay, delivered a heart searching message. After the Area Secretary's introductory speech, Brother Daniel spoke in Hindi. He is a converted young man and had his training for 3 years in theology in one of the Seminaries in Bangalore. The Rev. G. Vedamuthu after his concluding message, conducted the dedication of Brother Daniel. Mr. A. C. Furtado, Chairman of the Standing Committee of Bombay Area committee, handed over a Marathi Holy Bible to Brother Daniel. A cyclostyled brochure was brought out on this occasion. The next day, on the 15th August, Brother Daniel and I together with other good friends, went to Jawhar and reached there at 1.30 p.m. We spent some time in prayer for the worker and his future work and also for the people in Jawhar. A short opening talk was given by me and a closing message was given By Mr. H. Suvarna. By four in the afternoon, we started back to Bombay. Brother James, our dear volunteer, presented a petromax to the new centre which was thankfully accepted".

The Headquarters in thankfulness to God welcomes the opening of this centre and wishes success in the ministry task to Mr. Deniel F. Palaspagar.

An Answer For Prayer—The Opening of Another New Centre at the Andamans.

As the readers know, for the last three years we had been praying for the opening of a project to work among the Telugus in the Andamans. The Bombay Tamil Branch came forward to sup-

port the project. They sent in the collections, which was earmarked for the project. But we couldn't get a worker. So, we continued to pray.

The Rev. Justin N. Harris, president of the Tamil N.M.S. branch in Bombay, when he visited the Andamans was asked to kindly study the situation and report to us. This he did faithfully and fixed for us one Mr. Ch. Ashirvadam. The Bishop of Andamans, The Rt. Rev. M. D. Srinivasan, under whom the project has to be carried on, was consulted and on his approval, Mr. Ch. Ashirvadam was appointed as the N.M.S. worker from 1.10.1974. He is invited to the conference. If he is able to attend the conference, then we will have a dedication service in the conference and we will also take him to Bombay to do deputation work. We are very happy and thankful to God for He, in His own time has granted an answer to our prayers.

OBITUARY

We regret to inform the readers that Mrs. N. Roberts one of the senior members and one of the Vice Presidents of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Madras city, passed away on 28-8-1974. She was an unassuming, faithful worker of the N.M.S. very regular at meetings. She did her best to help the society during the sale time by collecting funds and running the vegetable stall. We heard that after a busy day, after a long prayer, she stretched herself and passed away quietly, as though she slept in the arms of our Lord. The society, though it loses a faithful helper, it thanks God for her life and service and pray that God may give the necessary consolation and comfort to the grieved family.

A Book Review

'100 Indian Witnesses to Jesus Christ'

By the Rev. P. J. Thomas Published by the Bombay Tracts and Books Society, Bombay.

Price — Rs. 10/-

We are happy to introduce to our readers the book entitled '100 Indian witness to Jesus Christ' by the Rev. P. J. Thomas of the Marthoma Church and Ex-General Secretary of the N.M.S.

Usually, we hear from the church pulpit and also in ordinary Christian meetings about witnesses to Christ from the Western World though there were many witnesses for Christ in India. This book is an answer to that kind of idea. Christ has His witnesses in all parts of the world, in all countries, among all nations.

The Rev. P. J. Thomas when he was the General Secretary of the N.M.S., started publishing this in the N.M.S. monthly organ 'The National Missionary Intelligencer'. He worked at it steadily and constantly collecting materials and abridging it with essential points. It is an essay book to read, but it has valuable points. It gives the life sketch of both famous and humble Indian Christians who had laboured as witnesses for Christ from different parts of this country.

Though the book may not give many details, it has contents enough to inspire the reader, especially the Christian, to be a witness. So, we recommend this book to our readers.

The price Rs. 10/- is not very high when compared with the price of other Christian literatures we get. So, at present it is within the reach of every Indian Christian. We recommend this book to the Christian public.

(K.G.S. DORAIRAJ,
General Secretary.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are happy to announce that the Bishop Designate of the Madras Diocese, The Rev. Sunder Clarke will be consecrated as Bishop in Madras on 20th October 1974, in St. George's Cathedral Madras.

We request the friends and supporters of the N.M.S. to pray for the Bishop's consecration, that God may endow him with His Holy Spirit to fulfil the Episcopal Ministry for His honour and glory.

We wish, with prayers, the Bishop Designate all success in his Episcopal Ministry.

(K.G.S. DORAIRAJ)
General Secretary
N.M.S.

We are happy that the God the Father fulfils the prayer of His son Jesus for His disciples that they may be one in various ways in the history of the church.

After the formation of the churches of south India and north India, we are happy to hear of the formation of the *Federation of the Evangelical churches of India*. The inauguration of the federation will be held at AKOLA in Maharashtra in the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church on Sunday the 3rd November 1974.

The National Missionary Society of India at its very formation in 1905, got the vision from God to bring together the divided church to a unity to win India, and the surrounding countries for Christ.

K.G.S. DORAIKAI,
General Secretary
N.M.S.

The N. M. S. wishes and prays that the newly formed Federation of Evangelical Churches in India, will work in close co-operation with the other churches and other indigenous missionary societies, including the National Missionary Society of India, to win India for Christ. We assure the Federation of our prayers.

Felicitations To The New President Of India

With the rest of the people of India we join hands in felicitating our new President Mr. Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed as the 5th President of the Indian Republic. We Pray that God may bless him and grant him wisdom to guide the destiny of this nation during his term of office. In electing a Muslim as the President, India confirmed its faith in secularism. We assure the President of our prayers and wish him all success.

General Secretary
N.M.S.

AN APPEAL TO FRIENDS

CHRISTMAS season is fast approaching. It is a season of joy which we express by giving gifts, which is a token of the greatest gift we received from God in the person of His Son JESUS.

Friends who are willing to give presents to the N.M.S. workers either in kind or cash are kindly requested to send their gifts to the Hon. Treasurer, N.M.S., 102, Peter's Road, MADRAS-600014.

Personal gifts are not favoured

Your kind gifts will be thankfully acknowledged by the society. The presents will be equally divided among the workers.

K. G. S. DORAIKAI,
General Secretary.

Subscriptions received for the Month of August 1974.

	Rs.	P.		Rs.	P.
Uttar Pradesh			Kerala		
Thro' Mr. J. Das, Kanpur branch collections	50	00	Thro' Mr. C. Thomas, Parasuvikkal Branch	350	00
Thro' Mr. Edward Allahabad branch	83	00	Thro' Miss A. Thomas Calicut branch	19	00
	133	00	Mr. A. Yesudos	40	00
			„ J. Robinson Crusoe	10	00
			Miss M. George	25	00
			Mr. David John, Kerala	50	00
Bihar				494	00
Mr. W. William, Motighil	30	00			
„ D. A. Sigamony, Jamshedpur	10	00			
	40	00	Mysore		
			Thro' Mr. J. P. Ashwal		
Orissa			Mr. G. Maben	3	00
Mr. A.C. Misra, Jatni	5	00	„ Peter Simon	5	00
„ S.C. Patra, Cuttack	10	00	Mr. C. A. Jithuri	2	00
	15	00	Mr. David Pandyan	1	00
			„ Hubert Maben	1	00
			„ Nelson	2	00
			„ J. Prasad	2	00
			„ Arthur Paul	1	00
Madhya Pradesh			Thro' Mr. A. Soans		
Dr. A.M. Daniel, Durg	80	00	Mr. W. S. Soans	3	00
Bro. David, Bilaspur	5	00	„ H. E. Sunder	1	00
Smt. Christpriabai	5	00	„ D. P. Pengal	1	00
	90	00	„ L. E. Souza	24	00
			„ J. C. Samartha	6	00
Maharashtra			Thro' Mr. J. David, Bangalore		
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Mr. R. Qumithra	5	00	„ A. Manickam	30	00
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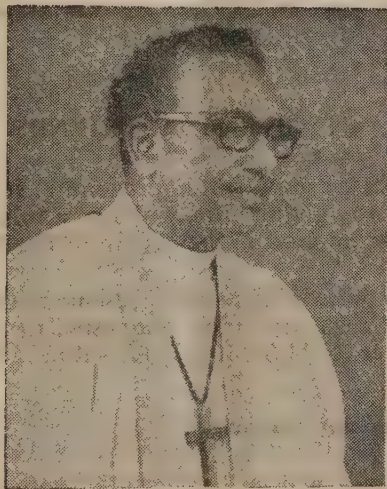
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The New Bishop in Madras



The Rt. Rev. Sunder Clarke, M.A.B.D.

**N.M.S. Prays and wishes him all
success in his episcopal Ministry**

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CHRISTMAS season is fast approaching. It is a season of joy which we express by giving gifts, which is a token of the greatest gift we received from God in the person of His Son JESUS.

Friends who are willing to give presents to the N.M.S. workers either in kind or cash are kindly requested to send their gifts to the Hon. Treasurer, N.M.S., 102, Peter's Road, MADRAS-600014.

Personal gifts are not favoured

Your kind gifts will be thankfully acknowledged by the society. The presents will be equally divided among the workers.

K. G. S. DORAIRAJ,
General Secretary.

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"All the saints salute you,"

"They that are of Caesars, household"

(Philippians 4 : 22)

Many find it difficult, if not impossible, to be a Christian in an unchristian world. If only the social environment would give them a decent chance, people say, they may make a success of the Christian life and religion.

The problem then veers round to a definition of what is religion. St. James in his epistle 1: 27 writes that true religion is to visit the fatherless and the widows in their affliction and to keep oneself spotless from the world. So, this defines religion both objectively and subjectively.

On the subjective side, St. Paul, in his epistle to the Philippians, makes mention, as an example, of certain saints who have kept themselves spotless. Where? In the Caesar's household! Wonder of wonders! Is it possible? We know that Nero was the Caesar of the time of St. Paul. And in his household of infamy immorality and murder, there were saints who lovingly saluted the Christians at Philippi.

If we survey the background of St. Paul's statement, we get an added stimulus to the wonder. St. Paul was in prison when he wrote the epistle awaiting his martyrdom. Still, there are in this short epistle of 4 chapters, 12 verses in which he enjoins his readers 'Rejoice'.

So, to be a saint in the worst of circumstances and environment, one needs, not so much of external favourable forces as of internal and sustaining forces. These saints including, St. Paul, lived in two worlds—one the outer world of forced inevitable circumstances and the other the inner one of selection and choice. That was the secret. Mrs. Browning succinctly defines perfect life in 4 simple words "Life develops from within". Only then, it is possible to be saints in Caesar's house.

One may pessimistically echo a sentiment of doubt as to what use was the existence of these saints, Nero was not changed, nor his court. Brother! that is not the end of the story. Times have

changed. These saints and their followers in the succeeding centuries gradually undermined the Caesar's household and its generation. We now call our children Pauli and our dogs Nero. The spiritual allegiance of millions of souls have since been given to another set of values.

In practical areas of life and Christian experience, true religion has simply reduced itself to an ambulance at the foot of a precipice to pick up those who have fallen over. No! it should be a fence at the top to prevent their falling in the first place. St. Jude in his fine benediction, chapter 11: 24, puts it "Now unto Him that is able to keep you from falling" Many regard Christian religion only as a fire engine or an ambulance, which we do not think of on ordinary days but rush for it when something dreadful happens. Many Christians take to family worship, Bible reading, Church attendance and communion only after the setting in of an illness in the family, or examination—approach or appointment seeking. etc.

The word "church" comes from a Greek word "Ecclesia" means "called out" or, "separated". In the bustle and hustle, toil and turmoil of life what is your "Ecclesia", the second world you resort to? Are you called in as a "saint" or as a Christian in population enumeration?

Say not the days are evil, who is to blame,
And fold the hands and acquiesce. Oh! shame!
Stand up, speak out bravely in God's name
Be strong.

It matters not how deep entrenched the wrong
How hard the battle goes, the day how long
Faint not, fight on, tomorrow comes the song
Be strong.

E.P.G.

Editorial

By the grace of God the Triennial all India Council of the National Missionary Society of India was held in the Goodwill Girls' High School premises, Bangalore Cantonment from October 10th-13th 1974.

We thank God for enabling us to have a conference which was well attended by representatives from all states, majority of indigenous missionary bodies and churches and para church organisations.

The report of the conference by Mrs. Grace Sathyaraj, the local branch secretary and one of the Vice Presidents for the triennium and observations from members appear elsewhere.

This All India Council was different from other triennial councils held previously, in planning and conducting. The previous councils were mainly business sessions with brief devotions and a communion service. But this time, the emphasis was on the spiritual side, with the Bible study led by Miss A. Zachariah on II Timothy on the theme 'Rekindle the gift of God' and with missionary meetings in the evenings with messages on the theme 'An adequate Christ for a crisis age' by the Rev. Hebert F. Reinhardt. Both were inspiring and challenging. The musical items were given by the local youths. Workers gave field reports in each meeting. The concluding challenging message was given by Mr. Zac Poonan. Our thanks are due to the speakers.

To emphasise the national and indigenous character of the society, on 10th October morning after Holy Communion service celebrated by the Rt. Rev. Kennet E. Gill at St. John's Church, we



Unfurling of the national flag By His Grace
Arch Bishop of Bangalore

began the conference with unfurling the National Flag and inaugural address by His Grace Arokiasami, the Archbishop of Bangalore. The address was not only a challenge but gave the right key note to the council for which we are thankful to His Grace.

This time the whole planning, fixing of speakers and making arrangements for hospitality were left to the local branch under the leadership of Mrs. Grace Sathiaraj, the Secretary of the Bangalore branch. She, with a team of loyal friends, formed themselves into various committees, did the planning and arrangements so meticulously, that the representatives lacked nothing.

So, the society is thankful to each and every one who took part in the arrangements for the council to make the council a success. Our special thanks are due to Miss. J. Parker, the Headmistress of the Goodwill Girls' High School, to the Bishop K. E. Gill for his co-operation and help, to the Sathyarajas who as a family were involved in the arrangements and their host of friends.

On the 13th, Sunday, we occupied most of the pulpits for which we are thankful to the Presbyters and Pastors in Bangalore.

Even though every thing went off alright to the glory of God and we rejoice over the good things, we must also confess our shortcomings to be faithful to our calling. The N.M.S. came into existence to create evangelical zeal in the church and to be a model.

But we have failed in this, when the time of election came. Let us remember our Lord's words :

“The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve”

“I am among you as one who serves”

“A servant is not greater than his master”.

May God help all those who were elected to the offices and committees, to be of service to Him by helping the society to fulfil her mission.

(K. G. S. Dorairaj)
General Secretary.

Felicitations

The Rt. Rev. Sunder Clarke, Bishop in Madras.

The National Missionary Society of India felicitates the Rt. Rev. Sunder Clarke on his consecration as the 10th Bishop in Madras of the Church of South India on the 20th October 1974, at St. George's Cathedral, Madras. The consecration service was an inspiring one, with over packed congregation both within the cathedral and outside in the pandal. The National Missionary Society of India, which is an evangelistic arm of the churches in our mother land, not only congratulates the Bishop and prays for him, but it assures him and his family of its continued prayers.

The Bishop has declared in one of his recent interviews that his main interest will be evangelism. We hope and pray that the Madras Diocese of the Church of South India, will be foremost in the evangelistic task in the country under his leadership. The N.M.S. having its head quarters in Madras trusts that it will get his co-operation and his guidance to fulfil its mission.

Rev. L. Easter Raj, Bishop Elect of T.E.L.C.

The National Missionary Society of India congratulates the Rev. L. Easter Raj, B.D.M.Th., on his election as the 7th Bishop of Tranquebar, of the Tamil Evangelical Lutheran Church. We are happy to announce that his consecration will take place on the 14th January, 1975, at Tranquebar.

We assure him of our prayers. The Lutheran Church had been a partner in the Gospel with the N.M.S. from the very beginning. We hope and trust, the same fellowship and co-operation will be given to the society in his period also.

We assure the Rev. Easter Raj and his family of our prayers.

General Secretary
N.M.S.

A Report on the Triennial Council

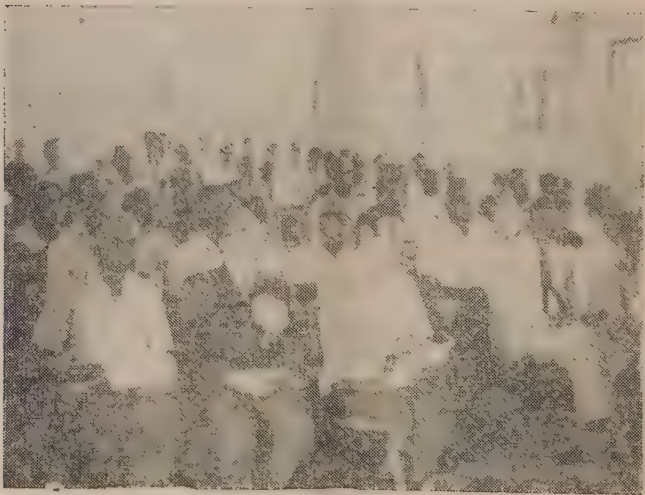
Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Greetings in the precious name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ! The Triennial conference of the N.M.S. held in Bangalore from 10th to 13th has been a milestone in the life of the N.M.S. and a happy memory in the hearts of each one of us. For those

who were not with us and those who are scattered all over India but were praying for the conference, I would like to share a few things.



The Arch Bishop Arokiasamy & Bishop K. E. Gill
Bishop Henry Lazarus, Vice President, T. S. Joseph,
General Secretary & Mrs. Sathiyaraj



A session of the Council

The preparations for the conference started in May 74 and we faced the conference with fear and trembling. The General Secretary the Rev. K. G. S. Dorairaj was with us for one day at the first meeting, when we constituted different committees to function in preparation for the conference. Dr. A. N. Gopal also was with us. We lifted our eyes unto the Hills whence cometh our help. Our help came from the Lord.

We were on our knees every morning waiting upon Him for guidance and were on our feet each evening contacting people and raising funds. They were hectic weeks of running around. Monthly and fortnightly meetings were held and progress assessed. A special feature of the preparations was a series of song services when the muscians of Bangalore performed in different churches and special collections were taken. Much more than the money that was raised, we used the opportunity to give publicity to the missionary work, and challenge the hearts of the people to get involved in this work.

It was suggested by the Convener of the finance committee Mr. Sukirthan Das that a brochure be printed. The idea was to give the people a souvenir of the Triennial conference containing 3 articles on the past, present and future of the N.M.S. As the book contained the choruses and hymns that were sung at the evening missionary services, and included the programme as well, it proved to be a useful book. By the hard work and careful planning by Mr. Das and his helpers, the work was successful. Gratitude for what the Lord has done should motivate us to honour Him with our financial means to spread the Gospel in unreached areas. This is Christian giving and usually it comes from hearts overflowing with love and gratitude to God.

The Christian friends in Bangalore responded to our appeal and gave generously. Through advertisements, donations, special collections and proceeds from the sale of eatables on the U.T.C. Play Days, we were able to meet the required budget. With what remains we are planning, God willing, to send one more worker to an unreached place.

It was a great joy and pleasure to have the missionaries and the honorary workers with us. We enjoyed their friendship and fellowship. We were gratified to find them happy and content during these five days. They enjoyed their stay at Bangalore.

Miss Zachariah, Professor of Hinduism and Christian education Bangarapet took the Bible studies. Systematically she covered the epistle of II Timothy and her theme was "Rekindle the gift of God". II Tim. 1:6. The truths she drew out from God's word, were most helpful in our daily Christian life. Many hearts were pricked by the failures in their lives.

The evening missionary meetings were planned so that the public would have a chance to meet the delegates, together, to worship God and to hear God's word. The messages were brought by the Rev. Herbert Reinhardt, lecturer at Bangarapet, Bible seminary. His sermons were well planned, supported by facts and statistics geared to strengthen the faith of the workers and to infuse missionary zeal in every christian.

How grateful we are to God, for dedicated workers such as these. We look up to these dedicated people not only for their life and work but also for their work in training young men and women. Many of our missionaries have had their training at the S I B.S. Many times, they focus their attention to the work of the N.M.S. at their missionary conventions and turn over all their collections of the convention to the N.M.S. We look forward to a closer continued relationship with the S.I.B.S. in the coming years.

The business deliberations, began well but sad to say, had to be hurried through for lack of time. This was the longest conference ever held and the biggest, so there was bound to be a pitfall somewhere. It must be conceded that it was a tight programme and there was no time to relax or for sightseeing. Considering the success of the conference in other areas, we can count it as negligible.

All things were made possible because of the goodness of Miss. Jyothi Parker, the Principal of the Goodwill Girls High School. Not only did she give us accommodation but she was gracious enough to offer us foodstuffs and help us with her staff-as Rebekah offered water not only for Eliazer but also for the camels. May God Bless her and all her endeavours for the school.

Our preparation, the conference and our future work can be epitomised in the words of the Lord. We asked Him, He gave us. He blessed our fellowship—We go forth in order to keep His commandments “He loved us enough to give Himself for us.” We will go forth in renewed strength with oneness of spirit and enriched vision. God Bless you.

“And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it.

If ye love me, keep my commandments.

Grace Sathyaraj.
Vice President.

An Appraisal of the Bangalore Triennial of the N.M.S.

Bangalore is justly famous for 'hospitality'—not only for its climate, but for its friendly people and generally also for the success it offers to any venture started in it. Surely Bangalore lived up to its reputation in all these aspects in the N.M.S. Triennial held there recently.

The climate was quite pleasant except for a day towards the close of the session when we had rain—in fact we were told that the weather had just cleared for the session, there having been continuous rains for over a week till a couple of days before.

As regards physical arrangements for the council, Mrs. Sathyaraj and her band of ardent supporters of the N.M.S. left nothing to be desired—the food, the arrangements for stay and the meetings, the public reception etc. were all to the entire satisfaction of every one. The only complaint heard was that the programme was so crowded as to leave no time for visit to places of interest in the city, which especially the delegates from the North visiting the place for the first time, were naturally looking forward to do. One could only imagine what tremendous efforts, meticulous planning and skilful organisation, should have gone into the making of what we witnessed, experienced and enjoyed, all of which went on without any hitch or fuss, not to mention of the more difficult task of raising the considerable amount of money that was required for all this! Without doubt, Mrs. Sathyaraj and the Bangalore friends have placed us all in a deep debt of gratitude for their labour of love.

The session itself was a significant success from most accounts. There was almost full attendance of delegates and visitors; it was unfortunate that the President, Bishop A. J. Shaw, could not be present owing to ill-health. From the beginning one could sense the spontaneous fellowship that prevailed among the delegates from all walks of life, with wide variations in age and hailing from different States of this land, their first loyalty being to their one Lord and not to any particular Church or denomination. More important than all, the session served to review and reaffirm the basis of the life and mission of the N.M.S. by highlighting the following points:—

1. That despite the stupendous advances made by man in Science, and Technology and in the understanding of the human mind and the structure of life itself, he is nowhere near finding a solution to the basic problem of human sin, which only Christ is adequate to solve, as reflected in the main theme "The Adequate Christ for a crisis age". Hence the need for the task of evangelisation remains as imperative and urgent as before; if any thing,

more urgent considering the signs which betoken the early coming of our Lord. These points were clearly brought out in his addresses by the Rev. Reinhardt during the missionary meetings.

2. That the fire of evangelism that was lit in us by God needs to be carefully tendered and rekindled lest it be quenched and reduced to ashes. The inspiring Bible Study on II Timothy with the theme 'Rekindle the gift of God', conducted by Miss Zachariah focussed attention on this.

3. That however humble, poor in resources and unprestigious the N.M.S. may be, it is not a "toothless worm" to be despised but a sharp 'threshing instrument' in the purpose of God, for the salvation of this land serving, as it does, in the difficult and hazardous front line of Christian strategy. Our labour therefore is not in vain nor superfluous and God expects us to continue faithful to the vision of the founding fathers, and to press on with greater vigour the task entrusted to us.

4. That there was unmistakable evidence of God's presence in and His leading of the Society in its work as revealed in the report of the General Secretary and in the testimonies of the workers in the Fields.

5. That we need to avoid any tendency on the part of the N.M.S. to lapse into an 'organisation' with all its paraphernalia, which would only serve as shackles to keep us down, instead of being a 'movement' of His humble servants, called to go forth on His mission with little material aid, just as He had sent His disciples of old. To be such servants will call for true selfless service and sacrificial giving on the part of our workers and all of us.

It is our hope that the above convictions will continue to confront and inspire us as we carry on our task, during the current triennium.

With all the above plus points, remembering that the Society started essentially as a lay movement—its founders and early stalwarts were lay-men—one cannot help saying that one would have wished to see more evidence of lay leadership and participation in the programme. Also there was need for devoting more time for discussion of the problems facing the workers in their areas.

J C. R.

An Impression Of the council by a Senior Member of the N.M.S.

'The conference was quite good as for its spiritual emphasis these days. Elections usually bring out the real man inside! It is a pity that Christians fall in the same pit as others do.'

The meaning of 'Evangelization of the world in this Generation'

by Dr. John R. Mott. *the author of that slogan*

"It does not mean conversion of the world, for the acceptance of Christ rests with the hearers and not with the speaker. It does not mean Christianization or civilization of world—important as both are. Nor must it be construed to mean an imperfect preaching of the Gospel. Our Movement stands for the belief that the Gospel can and should be brought within the reach of every creature within this generation"

(John R. Mott : Addresses and Papers Vol. I.)

N.M.S. Sales Festival, Thanjavur

'Give, and it shall be given unto you'—St. Luke 6 : 38.

The sale festival was celebrated at Thanjavur on 2-10-1974. The distinctive feature of the sales festival is that the members of the C.S.I., T.E.L.C., I.E.L.C., and some members of the local Pentecostal churches participated in it enthusiastically. The Town branch, the branch units attached to the Blake High School and St. Peter's High School all formed together under the leadership of the Presbyters and formulated ways and means to celebrate the festival and published advance notices even in July 1974.

Rev. G. Gnanavasagam, Rev. Ezekiel Durairaj of the C.S.I. Rev. Muller Selvaraj of the T.E.L.C., and Rev. Devasahayam of the I.E.L.C. took upon themselves this holy task by making proper timely announcements in the churches, giving valuable advice for the conduct of the sales and by permitting the N.M.S. workers to preach in the churches on 29th September 1974, the Sunday just before the sales on 2-10-1974.

The General Secretary, N.M.S. was kind enough to depute two missionaries from Bihar and Orissa to explain the aims and achievements of the N.M.S. at the special prayer meetings held from 28th September 1974 to 1st October 1974 and in the churches on 29th September 1974.

The Sales festival commenced at 3 p.m. on 2-10-1974 under the chairmanship of the Rev. Gnanavasagam, Mrs. Boopathy declared to open the sales festival. Immediately, all the devoted Christians assembled there stormed the stalls and purchased things exhibited, took evening tiffin in family groups and purchased briyani for their supper. It was a delightful scene to see that all Christian families came there with an open mind to purchase the articles and thus to strengthen the Lord's work. Some of them gave cash donations.

There were many stalls i.e. cloth stall, Fancy articles, toffy, pictures, Bible verses, eggs, pens, medicines, tea and coffee, many items of eatables, cakes, vegetables, fruits, flowers, icecream, Rice and books. Many enthusiastic christians both gents and ladies, took up their assignments in the stalls and sold the articles with real interest.

The sales came to a close at 7 p.m. with prayer and benediction by the Rev. Gnanavasagam. With profound joy we report that the total collection was Rs. 3088/58. We have only to believe that our Lord Jesus Christ has given an opportunity to the Christians of Thanjavur to give for the Lord's work so that He can shower blessings on them. We thank all who prayed, and co-operated for the successful conduct of the sales festival.

S. S. Rajayya (Sd).
Area Secretary, for South
Tamil Nadu Thanjavur.

(Sd) D. P. Jayaraj
Secretary, Thanjavur Branch.

Report of the Celebration of the N.M.S. Sunday in MUNNAR

Dear Brothers in Christ,

I am glad to inform you that the N.M.S Day service was conducted in the K.D.H. Indian Church Munnar at 2.00 p.m. on 13-10-1974. Nearly 300 people from various places assembled in the Church to worship our Lord and to hear His message.

Rev. Abraham Varghese, Rev. R. Abraham and Rev. P. M. Stewart participated in the function. Our Branch Chairman Rev. Abraham Varghese gave the message which is given below in a short form :-

“This afternoon is really a happy occasion for all of us. We are here from different places to worship and to pray for N.M.S. I need not tell you of N.M.S. and its work. We know it and we are a part of it. Every year, we get together to contribute for the N.M.S.

I would like to meditate with you from St. Mathew's gospel Chapter 28 Vs. 16-20. For two reasons these words are very important.

1. Because this is the last commandment of Jesus Christ. He told his people to go to the utter most part of the world with the gospel. In our worldly type too we would be

anxious to know what the dying one told lastly. We give importance for that. But you see! here the Lord commanded lastly to go.

2. The second reason is that it shows and brings to light the christian responsibility. You know that man is a responsible being. But, for the child of God his responsibility is far more great, than for human beings. It is our duty to go and preach. Serve for Christ. Are we doing it? In many a time, the answer comes 'No'. We have failed in our duty.

Now let us see the ways of giving out the gospel.

- (a) **Full time work**, God has not called every one as Pastors. But, there are a few whom He has chosen. They are in the ministry as fully time workers
- (b) **Part time work**. There are hundreds of people who do this kind of work. They may be officers, business people or farmers. But they go out with the gospel when they are free or where-ever a chance comes. All of you can do this. Spend you spare time for the Lord. Visit the needy ones in homes, hospitals.
- (c) **Purse evangelism** We have to open our purses for the work. God in His great mercy has blessed all of us abundantly. When we received His blessings, we have to spend it for His glory. He wants 1/10 of what we have. The Bible teaches us so. Here we are with gift like pepper, cardamom, towch, chickens etc. This is a part of evangelism. Every body can help the work through this means. Our field work is going on like this. Let us give more and more.
- (d) **Prayer work**. This is a means of work. We may not be able to give more. But every one can pray for the workers. A child can do. A busy man can do. All of us can do. Even if you forget every thing, please don't forget to pray for the mission field.

Let us arise and go for His work. Amen.

After the service, an auction sale was conducted. The total sale proceeds were Rs. 619/-. From the N.M.S. fund we purchased clothes and articles worth of Rs. 108-58 for the auction. The net proceeds are therefore only Rs. 510/42. Free tea was served to all those assembled for the Auction sale.

Also I am glad to report that we are conducting N.M.S. cottage prayer meetings on the 1st Sundays of every month, The first

meeting was held in our Chairman Rev. Abraham Varghese' house,
The meetings are very useful.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

(A. SOBANAM)

Hon. Secretary.

Brief Report From The N.M.S. Branch, Lucknow.

The Combined Annual General Meeting of the Local Branch of the N.M.S. and Ladies Auxiliary was held on Saturday, August 24th, 1974, at 5.30 p.m. at Nur Manzil, Lal Bagh, Lucknow, following a tea party. The following new Office bearers for the year 1974-1975 were elected :

1. The Rev. M. M. Maxton,
(Director, Every Home Crusade) as President
2. The Rev. A. G. Russells, Pastor,
Epiphany Church, Lucknow, ... As 1st Vice-President,
3. The Rev. C. S. Das, Pastor,
Central Methodist Church, Lucknow, as II nd Vice-Presi-
dent.
4. Secretary.....Mr. D. S. Washington,
5. Joint Secretary..... Mr. A. H. Khan,
6. Treasurer Mr. S,C. Daniel,
7. Auditor.....Mr. G. V. Qadir,

The New President, Mr. Maxton, gave a fine challenging speech at the close of the business meeting and urged all the members present to come forward and be missionary and help the N.M.S., Inspite of heavy rains, about 40 members we present and the meeting was a great success.

August 25th, 1974.

A. H. KHAN,

Secretary, N.M.S. for new Secy. 1974

New Centre In Maharashtra

Our Heavenly Father gave us another centre for the propagation of the gospel, which is an unreached area in Maharashtra. The N.M.I. readers might have noticed in the July issue about a new N.M.S. field UPPADA in Andra Pradesh. JAWHAR the new centre in Maharashtra, is the second field opened this year. There was a N.M.S. field some time ago in Maharashtra at Karjat in Ahmednagar district. This station was closed down due to financial difficulties.

The Bombay Area Committee is happy to announce that Jawhar was selected as a new mission field, which has been opened for evangelistic work among Adivasis on 15.8.74. As many of you are aware, a Missionary Aid Fund was established in the year 1964 and Kannada Christians in Bombay have been raising funds to support evangelistic work. Bro. Daniel at Jawhar is the second worker to be supported by the Kannada Christians. On the 14th of August, the Area committee arranged a dedication service at UBM Vikhroli Prayer Hall, prior to stationing the worker at Jawhar. The Rev. G. Vedamuthu, the senior pastor of the UBM Church presided. The Methodist minister, the Rev. Th. B. Williams offered a special prayer which was followed by an introductory speech by me. Among other things, I stressed the need, to work among the tribal people, and related how I was convinced about this, after my experience at Jawadi N.M.S. centre. My prayer to this end, I said was wonderfully answered by God. The President of the Basel Mission Church Council Bombay, Mr. John Herbert then gave an inspiring message, his text (Ex. 3:11) being 'Who am I'. The Rev. G. Vedamuthu in his concluding speech gave a timely message with a select verse. This was followed by the solemn dedication of the new worker to Jawhar. Mr. A.C. Furtado chairman Bombay N.M.S. Standing Committee, handed over a Marathi Bible to the worker.

A brochure was prepared for distribution which contained greetings from the President of the Bombay Area Committee, the Rev. Z. B. Anchees, the Rev. G. Vedamuthu and the N.M.S. General Secretary, etc.

The 15th of August being India's Independence Day, was a joyous day for the nation. But there was no evidence of joy in the heart of, people in view of the untold hardships one had to face. However, inspite of disheartening circumstances, we a small group happily went along with Brother Daniel to Jawhar rejoicing in the Lord. On the Independence Day this group was happy to exercise their liberty true to the Scripture "ye have been called unto liberty" (Gal. 5:13). We spent about 90 minutes, each one, offering

prayers. A short opening speech was given by me. The closing message was given by Mr. H. Suvarna a friend of the N.M.S. and a man of prayer. An active volunteer, James R. Soans, presented a petromax lamp to Bro. Daniel for his ministry. The group filled with praise returned to Bombay the same day.

I take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers, the Rev. G. Vedamuthu, the Rev. Th. B. Williams and Mr. John Herbert for their worthy participation and co-operation.

J. P. ASHWAL.

Field Reports from N.M.S. Fields.

November 1974

Malligachi—West Bengal :— Mr. P. R. Gupta.

Our worker, Mr. P. R. Gupta writes, this is a difficult station to reach as well as to work in. The people are very backward. Since I took charge of the field, there were eight enquirers, but these were taken away by Pentecostal Church. As the people are poor and backward, they are after material benefits. When I started the school, about 300 children attended the same. But for want of mid-day meal and other social benefits, they shrunk away. We cannot rely on the people as they are not trustworthy. M/s. P. Paramanick and his family and Chakaravarthy and his wife are planning to attend Oriental Mission's retreat to be held in Utter Pradesh. Mr. Nur Mohammed, was a former enquirer in Allahabad, and he continues with deep interest in Christ and Scripture. In spite of threatening from the people, M/s. S. Rahman, Nur Mohammed have applied for baptism to Ulluberia. The Church have accepted their application and agreed to give baptism.

Puri—Orissa :— The Rev. Paul Sanjeevi.

"There are a few enquirers, namely, Suriya Rao and his family, Ramulu and his family. The Endeavour members visited Puri and took part in Sunday Service. Regular services and cottage prayer meetings are held. I also visited Thanjavur, Madurai, and Trichy on deputation work. Mr. Ch. Peter joined us as teacher-cum-evangelist. He is a retired teacher, who retired just recently to work as a teacher-cum-evangelist in Puri. We hope that with his direction, the school may progress."

Butwal—Nepal :— Mr. and Mrs. V. T. Abraham

Conducted prayer meetings and divine healing services in English, Nepali and Malayalam. Visited the houses of important local christians and residents. Prayers are requested for my daughter who is ill, and for Mr. Lakshman Thapa as he is facing a crisis and for the jailed-Mothram. Nepal christian fellowship needs our fellowship and co-operation.

Maddebihal—North Karnataka :— Mr. Franklin Bhasme.

Conducted prayer meetings in friends houses and Sunday Schools are run. Bidergundi and other villages were visited. Personal evangelism and discussion are being conducted with students and prominent residents.

Uppada—Andhra Pradesh :—Paster G. Roshiah.

Conducted Sunday School and church services and also house visiting was regularly done. Prayer meetings were also conducted.

Dabra—Madhya Pradesh :—Rev. Edwin Sherring.

Mr. G. M. Job visited us and recorded his remarks. I visited 13 villages and did Gospel work. Sold 100 copies of the Gospel and distributed 200 tracts. Met the staff of the Christian college and presented the N.M.S. message.

Jawhar—Maharashtra :—Mr. Daniel F. Palaspagar.

I started a Sunday school on 7—9—1974. Strength—50 boys and girls. I need Sunday school books which may please be supplied. Visited surrounding villages and conducted Gospel work.

JAWADHI HILLS :

a. Jamnamarathur :—The Rev. D. Elias.

‘During the month F.G.Y.M.A. friends visited Jamanamarathur as a group and conducted a retreat in which we all joined. This was a great blessing. I visited Nadanoor and Thongumalai and did Gospel work for 3 days in villages round about.’

Mrs. Esther Robertson :—

‘One night at about 9 p.m. a teacher living at about 3 miles off, brought a child aged 4 years in a dangerous condition. There was no pulse and body was chill. We prayed fervently till 11-30 p.m. What a wonder! by God’s grace the child opened its eyes and by next morning it became alright, and the joyful parents took back the child to their home. Let God’s name be glorified.’

b. Kundalathur :—Mr. J. Paulian.

The night school is very well getting on. People are eager to hear the Gospel. Prayers of friends are requested.

c. Athipet :—Mr. P. Rajian.

‘I did Gospel work in and around the surrounding villages. One Periannan of Athipet fell ill, We all prayed for him. Now he is better and is eagerly hearing the Gospel and professes faith in Christ. Prayers of friends are requested for the seeker of Christ.

d. Kalyanamanthai :—Mr. and Mrs. N. Victor.

Did Gospel work in and round villages. One child came to us in a precarious condition. We knelt down and prayed fervently. By God’s grace the child recovered. Pray for the family. We face a problem here, because the land owner wants us to vacate the site. We have invested already Rs. 5,000/- in buildings. Please pray that God may prevail on the owner of the land to sell the land to us at a just price,

e. Nadanoor :—Mr. S. Gnanamuthu.

Sinnanan who was ill and recovered, got a relapse due to objectionable food taken. He has been admitted into the hospital. Certain members of St. John’s church, Vellore came to Nadanoor. They inspected the place for the construction of a dispensary and a prayer room. They informed me that they would come shortly for the laying of foundation with an engineer. A boy aged 16, named Gopal, having heard the Gospel, is a strong believer. His parents and elders had some family worship before their duty. The boy refused to participate and solemnly affirmed his faith in Jesus Christ. He is willing to take baptism but I told him to wait, for sometime. Prayers of friends are requested for his strength in faith.

2. Sarammal George.

Medical work is going on as usual. In Malathoon village we were called upon to attend to a delivery case of a woman. She was

in a precarious condition. I gave an injection and prayed. By God's grace, the woman and child are alright. Prayers of friends are requested.

Late Padma Shri Rev. Joel Lakra, M.A., S.T.M.

The Rev. Joel Lakra of Ranchi, for many years President, Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church, and later under the new constitution of the Church the first Adyaksh Pramukh passed away on October 8, 1974, having completed 80 years in September 1974. He had served the church with great faithfulness and distinction. He was a highly respected Adivasi leader and he served as a member in the Bihar Legislative Council for a term. He was a well known leader of the Lutheran Federation of Churches in India and sometimes served as its Vice-President.

J. D. ASIRVADAM.

The National Missionary Society of India.

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Uttar Pradesh			Mr. A. V. Ramana	25	00
Thro' Mr. J. Das, Kanpur			„ Siddhu Biswal	25	00
branch collections	100	00	„ Mohanasamy	15	00
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branch collections	90	00	„ L. K. Singh,		
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Rev. Pauldas, Bulandshar	60	00	English Church N.M.S.		
	535	00	Sunday	50	28
			Miss. L. Santra for new		
			project	40	00
			Oriya Baptist church for the		
			triennial conference	135	00
				864	28
Delhi			Maharashtra		
Thro' Mr. Francis Pershad,			Thro' Mr. J. P. Ashwal towards		
Delhi branch collections	117	00	the salary of the workers in		
Mr. B. C. Ghose, Newdelhi	15	00	Muddebihal & Thana	457	25
„ L. A. C. Devaraj	5	00	Byculla central	23	00
„ R. Kumar	10	00	Chembur	24	50
	147	00	Vikroli	90	00
			Bhandup	12	00
			Mrs. R. Amanna	5	00
			Mr. E. Cecil	10	00
			Towards the salary of the		
			workers in Muddebihal &		
			Thana	569	30
			Mr. B. Satyavrata	10	00
			Rev. J. B. Chella	10	00
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			Dr. Mrs. John	25	00
			Sarojini Airan	5	00
			Mr. S. L. Aiman	100	00
			Nirmala Heri	50	00
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			Mrs. Jayaselvi	20	00
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	200	00	Thro' Mr. Paulsingh		
			Mr. S. D. Sinha	10	00
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K.J.J. Synod, Shillong	500	00			
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Mr. W. Williamson, Motighil	20	00			
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	30	00			
Orissa					
Thro' Mr. John Apparao,					
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Rev. Paul Sanjeevi	25	00			

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Celebrating the Gift of Life

(A Christmas and New Year Meditation)

By Bishop R. D. Joshi.

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, so that whosoever believeth in Him shall not perish, but shall have everlasting life."

"For God so loved the world"

This is the time of year when the Christian community around the world celebrates God's greatest gift to us, the gift of life. It may not always seem to us that Life is something to celebrate. When draughts and floods cause famine to sweep not only India, but one third of the whole world; when diphtheria and smallpox epidemics kill thousands of helpless people; when political differences in one part of the world create economic crises for the rest of the world; when governments collapse so fast that no one is prepared to take on the burden of leadership. Or when in our own homes food prices are so high we can't seem to make ends meet; constant arguments divide the household or the death of a loved one leaves an empty hole in our life. We find ourselves thinking that life is more pain than joy, more of a burden than a gift. But we must remember that it is because "God so loved the world", *this* world, with all its turmoil and suffering, and all the people in it, sinful as we are.....

"That He gave His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ"

It was in such times as ours that the Word became flesh in the birth of Jesus Christ. His life was an enactment of the Word of God. That is the Good News about life, that life as it is, is a gift of God, and that all is possible for whosoever receives it as such. It is the incarnation of His Word, the demonstration that in the midst of possibility and despair, the possibility of a meaningful and creative life is open to all who choose it. Our tradition of exchanging gifts reminds us of the sheer gift that life is which we neither asked for, nor do we deserve, and the conditions of which we do not choose.

“So that whosoever believeth in Him”

Christmas is not only the celebration of the birth of the historical person of Jesus, but also of the reality of the Word in our daily life. For though the demonstration of Christ's life brought the Word to our consciousness, the Word has been there from the beginning and is ever there for those who choose to hear. It is that which sustains us when life seems too great a burden to bear. To believe this Word is to accept the possibility and the greatness of my own life and, in living it fully, to share it with others.

“Shall not perish, but shall have everlasting life”

It seems appropriate that the New Year is celebrated in the same season with Christmas. For through the Word that life is a gift we are given new life. The Word pronounces death on the old life of cynicism and despair and gives us a new life full of hope and possibility. The tradition of burning the “Old Man” symbolizes the old life that is left behind, and the making of New Year resolutions rehearses the decisions we make about how to use the new life we have been given through that Word. We celebrate the possibility of giving our life in service to God, by sharing his Word with our fellow men. Through living our lives fully now, we give meaning to the struggle of those who lived before us, and we live on behalf of all those who will follow. All of life, past, present and future, is lived through our own lives. We thus live the life of all mankind, in and through the Word of Jesus Christ our Lord.

General Secretary's Christmas Letter.

Dear beloved in the Lord,

On behalf of the National Missionary Society of India and on behalf of myself I wish you all *a very happy and blessed Christmas. May the joy, peace and the abiding presence of our incarnated Lord be with you always.* We assure you of our prayers.

As we think of Christmas, we usually think of the manger scene where the Saviour of the world lay as one of the poorest of the poor and as a helpless child with no place in the inn. This is incomprehensible. Our minds stand still, unable to understand the mystery of this act of God. But St. Paul when he recollects the ordinary manger scene, he conceived 1) *the pre-incarnation state* 2) *the manger and the life our Lord on earth*, and 3) *the post incarnation state of our Lord*, which he forcibly brings forth in two of his letters Phil. 2 : 5-11 and in 2 Cor. 8 : 9.

This conception of three states in our Lord's life as eternal, earthly and Lord of all, was possible for him because of his confrontation with the Lord Jesus on his way to Damascus. The confrontation revealed to him that Jesus of Nazareth, who walked about Palestine and was crucified, was not a mere human-being, but He is the eternal, only Begotten Son of God, who existed before the creation and was a partner in the act of creation. Hence He was divine. This state is well epitomised by St. Paul by the phrase 'He was rich'.

The phrase 'in the form of God' the original text means 'permanent, unchangeable and undestroyable divine nature'. This nature belongs to Him. This is the *pre-incarnation* state of Jesus Christ. When God sent His Son into the world, our Lord, though He was divine, did not cling to it, or grab it because of love for the Father. St. Paul uses the word 'emptied' in reference to His Father's will He cleared himself of all divine nature in him, and became human. The word 'emptied' shows the completeness of the self-emptying action. He was truly human when He was born as a child in the manger. The phrase 'form of a servant' emphasizes the true humanity in our Lord's incarnation. This act of 'emptying Himself' involves three acts, *obedience, humility, and self renunciation*. This state St. Paul describes by the phrase "became poor".

Obedience to the Father's will to the extent of being born as a helpless child and to permit Himself to be crucified as a criminal, shows the above three elements in incarnation. It does not end there.

In appreciation of the obedience of His Son, the Father 1) exalted Him, 2) bestowed on him the name which is above every name and 3) that every creature on earth and in heaven should bend his knee and 4) every tongue should confess that Christ is the Lord. This is the post incarnation state of our Lord. So the Christmas involves *obedience, humility, and self renunciation*.

How is our Christmas? If it has to be a blessing it has to have these three elements.

The little congregation in Puri last year had Christmas celebration, in which they not only had Christmas service, but they gave clothing to the poor and food to 700 people, at their own cost. Is it not a model for Christmas?

Our readers would have read the account of the Triennial conference held at Bangalore in the last issue. In the General Secretary's report, I have described the events of the Triennium from 1971-1974 as a period of 'advancement' in the history of the society, because there were developments and progress in every aspect of the society's life and activity for which we thank God, who is the author and finisher of all things, with all our hearts.

Now our centres have increased from 7 to 13, and during the last year alone we have opened three centres. One at Bihar, another at Jawhar in Maharashtra, and yet another one in the Andamans. We have also got good workers for these centres. In finance also we have grown. In the general fund alone, we have reached Rs. 1,45,000 during this triennium for the year 1973-1974, which was more than our expectation. Now the strength of our workers has increased to 38. Except in the new fields that is, Dhanbad Bihar, Andamans, and Jawhar, we have converts in others. So, it is a matter to be rejoiced over and in thanking God we also thank the contributors for their undiminished interest and contribution.

New Challenges :—

There are new challenges. The district superintendent of the Methodist Church of the Pitharogarh District has requested us to open a centre at Jhulaghut. As per our plan, to have one centre in every Indian state, there are still more states, which do not have even one per cent of Christians. So our task is not yet over. We have to do the unfinished task by opening centres at Kashmir, Harayana, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Gujarat, Assam and Manipur. For this we need our friends' prayers, resources and workers.

There is another matter to rejoice in—the opening of a centre in Uppada in the Andra Pradesh. One of our converts from Puri went and started his business there. When he came across some unshepherded, indifferent christians, he gathered them and formed a fellowship, and built a chapel at his own cost. Now, there are about 20 families, attending regular services as well as exerting christian influence on others. There are about 10 enquiring families belonging to different communities. Having had contact with free lance preachers who contradicted themselves in their own preaching and practice faith. Mr. Chinna appealed to the N.M.S. for a worker. Having studied the valuable work done, we have posted Pastor Roshiah and Mrs. Roshiah to Uppada. This is an illustration of the firm foundation of the faith in Christ laid by the N.M.S. This congregation is also liberal in its giving.

Another thing to be reported is about the co-ordination conference. We observe that there is a general awakening in the churches for evangelisation. We thank God for the same. But at the sametime, we observe the rise of a number of evangelical groups big and small. *We are happy to welcome such groups, but we feel in the present political, and religious context in this country, we must have a co-ordinated plan of evangelisation in this country.* Hence, we had a conference of the responding missionary bodies, in March, 1974 an account of which appeared in the May issue of the N.M.I. If God willing, we may be calling for another conference of that

kind this year also. *So I request all the friends who are interested in this in the missionary task in this country to inform us of the various missionary bodies which they are aware of, with the addresses of the persons whom we have to contact. That will help the N.M.S. in its endeavour.*

Lastly, dear friends, when I took over charge of the society it was a period of anxiety because of the insufficient financial state. But the one who is sufficient, was able to help us through his loyal ones. We have received and spent. There is no reserve. We thank God for this state of ever looking upto God. For, it makes us rely on Him more and grow more in faith, who said "I will be with you always."

As we finish these six months accounts, we find we are running behind by Rs. 5,000/-. We have not received, any gift for Christmas for our workers. As I write this, I have the hope that God will help us to go through. So, I request you friends to continue praying for the N.M.S. as you have done in the past, for which I am thankful on behalf of the society. Wishing you once again a blessed Christmas.

Yours in His service,
K. G. S. Dorairaj

N.M.S. Field Reports.

North India Organising Secretary Mr. Paul Singh writes that he visited Sihore on 7th June. Brother Babudas received him. While at Sihore he went round visiting the people there. On 8th also he visited some friends and contacted them about N.M.S. In the evening he spoke in a service and got a collection of Rs. 25/- for N.M.S.

South India Organising Secretary the Rev. J. M. Jayasingh writes that on 19th October Madurai City Area Committee conducted sales on 20th they had thanks giving service at the Tamil Nadu Theological Seminary chapel. The sale function was presided by Dr. Mrs. George Devadas and Mr. Dharmaraj Santhosham gave the message and declared open the sale. On the 21st to 26th October he was at Tiruvalla to attend the All India Institute on Evangelism held there. He was also able to visit the members of the Tiruvalla branch and preach at the C.S.I. church at Tiruvalla.

Ajmer-Rajasthan :— The Rev. S. C. P. Tyagi.

The Rev. Tyagi writes that he and Bro. David of Pentecostal church, were preaching in the Station Road Bazaar, when they were attacked by the public. Mr. Laxshman Narayanan Sharma,

one of our converts at Bharathpur is still undergoing persecution. Mr. J. Lal, Deputy Administrator is an enquirer. He is planning to have the Christmas public function in the Government hall at Ajmer. Please remember this in your prayers. Mr. Munna Lal Yodar requested for baptism in Kishanghar. Another family is willing to accept Christ as their Saviour. Prayers are requested for these enquirers.

Jawhar-Thana District-Maharashtra :— Mr. Daniel F. Palaspagar.

Mr. Daniel Palaspagar reports that seven brothers from Bombay visited the centre. They were taken to the villages round about and Gospel work was done.

Nepal :— Mr. V. T. Abraham.

Mr. V. T. Abraham from Nepal requests prayers of friends for the converts, some of whom are under severe persecution, and one is in prison.

JAWADHI HILLS :—

Nadanoor :— Mr. Gnanamuthu writes :—

‘The people from the plains tried their best to creat opposition to the Gospel, because they do not want the tribal people to be enlightened as most of them are merchants. As usual St. John’s church, Vellore, visited the centre’.

Nurse Saramma Writes that “a young lady came to me complaining of bleeding. She was given injection and tablets and she was cured. St. John’s Church team has supplied us medicine.”

Kalyanamanthai :— Mr. N. Victor writes that the little congregation there has shown signs of awakening and requests for prayers.

Veerappanoor :— Mr. A Thiraviam writes :—

‘From the village of Arasavallioor one Chinnapiam had fits for over 8 years. He had been to many Hindu pilgrim centres, but he did not get any benefit. We continue to pray for him. There is sign of healing. We purchased a land here, but we have to build a chapel.’

Jamanamarathur :— The Rev. D. Elias, the Missionary in charge writes that a great burden in every-body’s heart is the Kalyanamanthai property. The land owner is very avaricious and wants to get the property. He is not agreeable to any agreement. He requests friends to continue to pray so that he may allow them to carry on worship in the building, giving reasonable rent.

Muddebihal :— Mr. Franklin Bhasme :—

Mr. Bhasme reports that Mr. Ashwal, the Organising Secretary for West India, visited Bijapur and contacted the Christians concerning the Society. One Mr. B. N. Alur invited them to his house and had prayers. The Christian families in Bijapur extended their hospitality. He also visited Hittenhalli. For a week, every evening they conducted prayer meetings for the enquirers. Six families consisting of 22 souls had decided to accept Christ and were baptised at the C.S.I. Church at Bijapur by the Rev. Dandin. He also preached on 29th at Bijapur and met the college students. Prayers from friends are requested for the converts.

Uppada-Andhra Pradesh :— Pastor Rosaiah.

Pastor Roshiah writes that regular services were held in the chapel. Cottage prayer meetings were conducted, and the congregation in a group visited the enquirers and contacted them. Mr. K. Chinna has decided that in the first harvest of his land, he would give the produce of one acre of land to the N.M.S. We thank God that our converts are faithful to our Lord and grow in grace which is shown in their kind and sacrificial giving.

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Thro' Mr. S. D. P. Karuna-			.. S. M. Anbuchelvan	5	00
karan Subramaniapuram			.. Vedapakiam	5	00
branch	10	00	.. Santhanesamani	3	00
Mr. T. Thangappa,			Miss Sheila	5	00
Kulathuvilai	5	00	Mr. I. Christian	2	00
Thro' Mrs. Kurien, Dindigul			.. Mangaladurai	5	00
N M S. Sunday collections	109	50	.. Antonisami	2	00
Monthly Subscriptions	90	50	Mrs. Mary Ponniah	5	00
Thro' Mr. J. Shelton, Trichy			Mr. D. J. E. Collins	10	00
Mr. D. Jayachandran	20	00	.. Alexander Eden	5	00
.. Hemachandran	20	00	.. D. Aruldoss	5	00
.. D. Thambusamy	20	00	.. Daniel Pillai	10	00
.. Dhanasegar	20	00	.. Antonisamy	2	00
.. S. Thasamani	30	00	.. Alexander Eden	5	00
.. J. Shelton	5	00	.. Devasahayam	1	00
.. H. S. Singh	5	00	.. G. Gnanathangiah	2	00
.. P. Jayakumar	8	00	Thro' Mrs. Joyce Moses,		
.. Umesh Appadurai	10	00	Nagercoil		
.. Mahesh Appadurai	10	00	Mrs. Joyce Moses	5	00
.. D. K. T. Felix	6	00	Mr. M. M. Nathaniel	10	00
.. Earnest Devapiriam	4	00	.. M. Wilson Arumaraj	5	00
Thro' Mr. V. D. Ponniah,			.. M. T. Sunder	5	00
Thanjavur collections from			.. M. Robson	10	00
Blake High school staff	128	00	.. Godwin Joseph	10	00
Thro' Mr. T. Samuel, Staff			Miss Padma Justus	10	00
St. Peter's High school,			Birthday offering	5	00
Tanjore	64	50	Mr. Lambert Samuel	5	00
Thro' Mr. Solomon Rajiah			Mrs. Chandra Selvaraj	5	00
Mr. Jayasingh	3	00	.. Kamala Justus	5	00
.. Pentasingh Daniel	1	00	.. Linonel	3	00
.. Thanasingh	2	00	Mr. J. Henry	5	00
.. V. Joseph Daniel	5	00	Rev. Joslin Chandrakumar	5	00
.. A. J. Herbert	2	00	Mr. T. T. Daniel	3	00
.. S. N. David	15	00	.. Chellathurai	3	00
.. R. Dennis	5	00	.. A. Manickam	3	00
.. K. Jayaraj	5	00	.. S. Perinbanayagam	3	00
Sale of Song Books	1	25	.. A. N. Dorairaj, Trichy	5	00
Mrs. Rajakumari Jayaraj	5	00	.. S. J. Abraham, Kulitalai	5	00
Dr. Devadoss, Peravarani	50	00	.. G. H. Clarence,		
Mr. N. S. Thanaraj,			Cuddalore	10	00
Nagapatnam	5	00	Mrs. S. J. Samuel, Karur	15	00
Mr. A. C. S. Jayapaul			Mr. C. J. Antony	3	00
Nagapatnam	2	00	Rev. J. A. Balasingh, Kulathur	5	00
Mr. George Manohar			Mr. P. Samuel Jayaseelan	2	00
Nagapatnam	30	00	Mr. M. J. Mohanraj	3	00
Mr. Jayaraj Asirvatham	10	00	Mrs. S. Jaya Ruby	1	00
.. Mangaladurai	5	00	.. Georgeraj, Madurai	10	00
Dr. Muthiah Pandian	100	00	.. D. J. Paulraj	10	00
Mr. Antonisamy, Nagercoil	4	00	Mrs. B. Thomas David	100	00
Dr. Ragaviah, Nagapatnam	100	00	Mr. David Chelliah	10	00
.. V. K. Pandian	25	00	Omission for 1973-74		
Mrs. V. K. Pandian	25	00	Mr. & Mrs. G. Isaac Sathiaraj		
Mr. J. Eden Alexander	5	00	Nagapatnam	120	00
.. S. M. Arokiasamy	3	00			
.. S. M. Immanuel	2	00		5275	73
.. Selvanayagam	3	00			

Andhra Pradesh

	Rs.	P.
The Secretary, Lone star Telugu Baptist church,	10	00
Mrs. Baskarraj, Ammugada primary school collections	18	00
Mr. A. G. P. Devasigamani Secundrabad	20	00
	48	00

Outside India

Mr. & Mrs. J. C. Karkada, Bahrain	100	00
	100	00

Birthday

Master Ashok, Munnar	10	00
Mini Abraham, Nepal	5	00
Mrs. Lydia Paul, Madras	5	00
„ E. Babay Saroja	5	00
„ S. C. Furtado	10	00
	35	00

Field Receipts

*Thro' Rev. Jayasingh,
T. N. O. S.*

Rev. Jayasingh	10	00
Mr. & Mrs. Joshua collections	15	00
Jawadhi Hills	30	00
Ishapanthy ashram	197	20
Bageshwar	35	00
Bharathpur	5	00
Muddebihal	4	50
Nepal	21	60
	5	00
	323	30

Special Receipts

	Rs.	P.
Treasurer, N.M.S. Dindigul branch towards Bihar work	250	00
Treasurer, Madurai branch towards Abraham's son's scholarship for 5 months	200	00

Puri Library

<i>Thro' Mr. Packiamoni</i>		
Mrs. Kirubai	20	00
Mrs. Samuel	10	00
Mrs. Pushpam Koilpillai	10	00
Mrs. Uma Kanthimathi	5	00

*Thro' Mrs. Bai Yesudoss
for the Jawadht work*

Mr. & Mrs. Cecil Dorairaj	25	00
Mr. & Mrs. Russel Raj	5	00
Mr. P. A. Matthew	5	00
Mrs. Krishnayya, Poona for Christmas gift	25	00

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Life Membership

Miss Premalata lal	100	00
Major Pamela	100	00
	200	00

Tribal Students Scholarship

Mrs. H. Jacob, Trivandrum	6	00
Mr. J. S. Premkumar, Ranipet	100	00
Mr. A. Sobanam, Munnar	40	00
	146	00

Madras City Prayer meeting collections

Mr. G. M. John, Kilpauk, Madras-10	10	17
	10	17

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New Year Message

by

Bishop in Madras

As we stand at the entrance of another year the question that comes to our mind is "To whom shall we go"? The answer comes to us crystal clear "Lord, there is none but you. For you are the source of life." We put ourselves into His Hands knowing that His Hands are strong enough to sustain us, His Hands are sure enough to point some into the future, His Hands are abundant enough to bless us as we travel through 1975. May we completely entrust ourselves into His Hands and we surely will be upheld, guided and blessed by Him.

Let me take this opportunity to wish every reader a very Happy and Blessed 1975. "The Lord bless you and keep you."

SUNDER CLARKE,
Bishop in Madras,

For Our Suffering Brethren in Arunachal Pradesh

An Appeal To Pray

Dear Friends,

This appeal comes to you from the National Christian Council of India and the Evangelical Fellowship of India.

We have kept you informed of the continued suffering of the Christians in Arunachal Pradesh who have been subject to violence, atrocities and harassment because of their Faith. The situation has not eased yet, in spite of several requests to the authorities at the highest levels in this land, and several assurances given to us that the matter will be looked into and normal and peaceful conditions restored. The harassment which started in 1969, has continued to this day. Since the month of April this year, the atrocities have become more intense. We informed you that a good number of churches have been burnt down; personal property of the Christians had either been taken away forcibly or destroyed, with the result that our brethren fled from home and took shelter in the jungles where they are exposed today to extreme climatic conditions and misery.

The harassment has reached its climax in the passing of a resolution by the Arunachal Pradesh Council about Christians who are hiding from the atrocities that those who do not return to their villages and homes by January 26, 1975, will be denied entrance in Arunachal there after, and they will also forfeit their homes and property. This is not an ordinary threat.

In yet another endeavour to get normal conditions restored, three of the Nishi Christians of Arunachal Pradesh came to Delhi a few days ago along with two prominent leaders of North-East India. We have met the Home Minister, the Minister of State for Home Affairs and Shri D. K. Barooah, the Congress President to press for action for restoring normal conditions. Once again we have been assured that the matter will be attended to immediately. yet we do not know how long it will take for conditions to ease.

On the evening of the 12th December, 1974, we met some Christian Members of Parliament, who have promised their help in the matter. In this meeting there was a strong unanimous feeling that an appeal should be sent to Christians and Churches throughout the country to remember our Arunachal Pradesh brethren in prayer, and to demonstrate that their sufferings and agony are ours as we are one with them in Faith. We must also pray for guidance from the Holy Spirit, so that our decisions and actions be for the good of our brethren and also for the good of those who have been the cause of their suffering.

We who are surrounded by security cannot fully imagine the agony of our brethren in Arunachal. We are preparing ourselves for Christmas. Everyday we pray for the joy and peace of Christmas to descend over us and others. And we know that this joy and peace will not be known to these brethren. Can we forget them in this hour of need?

Hence when we raise our prayers of thanksgiving, we must also go down on our knees to remember them day-after-day before Him who hears our prayers.

We appeal to you therefore to remember these brethren in prayer, without fail, every day. This daily prayer should culminate in a National Day of Prayer, on Sunday, January 26, 1975.

We trust that you will respond in full measure to this appeal. We are not sending you any special order of prayer or worship. We will pray as we are guided by the Holy Spirit that the Love of Christ may touch the hearts of all men concerned, and specially those who are responsible for making decisions in this matter of life and death.

Your servants in Christ,

I. BEN WATI

Executive Secretary

Evangelical Fellowship of India

M. A. Z. ROLSTON

General Secretary

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The Announcement of the Marthoma Metropolitan to the Parishes and to the responsible people of the Marthoma Church.

**Official organ of the Marthoma Church—‘SABHA THARAKA’
September issue 1974, (page No. 3)**

Until about 20 years back, the National Missionary Society of India was very well known to the Marthoma people. The day when we changed the N.M.S. collection to North Karnataka Mission collection, N.M.S. also has been forgotten. But the N.M.S. is not a society which has to be forgotten.

The foreign missions came over to India and established churches here and at the same time the Indian Christians realized their responsibility in proclaiming the Gospel to their fellow beings in our country, so the N.M.S. was formed.

Then the churches were not involved in missionary tasks. The N.M.S. was the only missionary society of the India Christians. When each church started its own Missionary outreach, the strength of the N.M.S. was weakened. Yet the N.M.S. was and is working together with the church in India and it firmly asserts the word Indian Church. So the place of the N.M.S. in the church is not lost.

The N.M.S. must grow along with the Missionary societies of the churches. The N.M.S. is always ready to start new fields and then hand them over to the nearby church. Let us try to form N.M.S. branches in different parts of Kerala and accept this missionary society as ours and pray and give financial assistance to N.M.S.

(Juhanon Marthoma Metropolitan)

(Translated from Malayalam)

Great Hymns and their authors (14)

James Montgomery 1771—1854

“For ever with the Lord” Songs and Solos 917

With the exception of Charles Wesley and Isaac Watts of whom we have already studied, James Montgomery ranks as the third greatest hymn writer of the Christian Church. Of the 400 hymns he is reputed to have composed, 15 have found their way in the Wesleyan Methodist Hymnal and 14 in the songs and Solos. The hymn “For ever with the Lord” sung on funeral occasions will be sung till the Church of Christ lasts.

James Montgomery was born in Scotland in 1771 as the son of a Moravian minister. Though Montgomery’s father intended his son for the ministry, the talents of the boy as a born poet, even at the age of ten, deflected him from the ministry. He tried several jobs without success and finally settled down as the editor of a famous magazine of his days ‘Sheffield Iris’ His outspoken views, strong convictions and fearless expression of the ills of his days brought him into trouble with the Government and he was sent to prison several times. It is reported that the above hymn came as an inspiration when he was once in prison-

It is not as an editor of a magazine or as a poet, but as a hymn writer and as a man of impeccable character that James Montgomery will be remembered. He lived his life and fought the grave illness of his last days with a fortitude and testimony as in his own verse 'By death, I shall escape from death'.

E.P.G.

REPORT.

Reports from the fields and request for prayers.

Dabra—Madhya Pradesh.

Rev. Edwin Sherring writes that he makes regular visits to the villages around, contacting the non-christians with the Gospel message, by personal contact and distribution of leaflets. He also contacts the stray christians, who have no pastoral care and gives instructions to them to be in the fellowship of the church. He has requested for prayers for Mr. Mangaladoss, one of our converts who is in the T. B. hospital in Jhansi.

Ajmer—Rajasthan.

Rev. S.C.P. Tyagi writes that when he was distributing literatures the Arya Samaj leaders threatened him and violently man handled him. One Mr. Raghubanshi was eager to know about Christ and he was given regular lessons. He has requested prayers for Arya Samaj leaders of Ajmer, and for Mrs. Tyagi who is not well and for the enquirers at Kishangarh.

Dhanbad—Bihar.

Mr. John Thomas writes that a few friends have come forward to enquire and to know more about Christ and His salvation. He was contacting them regularly. He has arranged for special Christmas programme in different places. He requests for prayers for the enquirers. He needs some musical instruments such as guitar. If anybody could present him with a guitar it would be a great help in attracting people to hear the message.

Puri—Orissa.

Rev. Paul Sanjeevi writes that the work goes on regularly. One of the converts at Puri Mrs. Seethama, who had become blind received a gift of Rs. 10/- from head quarters which will be

continued at the rate of Rs. 5/- per month to help her in her needs. Mrs. Kirupamma, one of our converts and a faithful one, is sick and she needs our prayers. There are enquirers who are ready to be baptised. Friends are requested to pray for the enquirers.

Bageshwar—Uttar Pradesh.

Mr. Bachi Singh our evangelist writes that he distributed books about Hinduism and Christianity among the Hindus, which he received from the Headquarters. They are reading the books with interest. These books are very useful.

Andaman Islands.

Our evangelist Mr. Ch. Ashirvadam writes that he started evangelistic work in a new place called North Bay during the month of October. 18 persons have accepted Jesus Christ as their Saviour. Six of them were baptised in the month of October. The people are very anxious to hear about God and the Bible. Sometimes the meetings goes on very late into the night till 12 p.m. Meetings are also conducted for the Christian Telugu congregation regularly. This is a new centre started with the support of the Bombay Tamil friends. Prayers are requested for the converts and the Telugu Christians in the Andamans.

Malligachi—West Bengal.

Our evangelist Mr. P. R. Gupta writes that a muslim named Noor Mohamed is being prepnred for baptism. He has given his written statement requesting for baptism. Most probably he may be baptised during the New year service.

Jawadhi Hills :

Jamanamarathur :—

The Missionary in charge the *Rev. D. Elias* writes that he had visited the interior tribal settlements and contacted the parents of the boys who come in contact with the missionary and his wife at Jamanamarathur. Some of them read the Bible regularly. The parents of one Krishnamoorthi, told the missionary that he reads the Bible and prays regularly. The parents keep the Bible text in their home. Krishnamoorthi who has joined a secular job has sent his tithe which is a token of his love for the Lord. Prayers are requested for him. *Mrs. Esther Robertson* writes that she visits other tribal settlements around Jamanamarthur and tells the people especially the women about the love of Christ. Because

of the tribal regulation and fear of social boycott, the people are hesitant to accept Christ. She requests prayers for these people.

Veerapanoor :—

Mr. A. Thiraviam our evangelist writes that he had been doing Gospel work for the last 2½ years in this area concentrating on Kollaikottai. There are eight families who are regularly visited by him. On every Sunday he conducts prayer meetings in every home. By His grace some are healed from their illness in answer to our prayers. He requests for prayers that God may strengthen their faith and lead them to be members of His body. One Swamigoundan, the leader of the village Arasavalliyur, was suffering from illness for the last 15 years. He had visited many Hindu pilgrim centres in vain. For the last one month he had been steadily recovering in answer to our prayers and he witnesses that Jesus is the true God. Please remember him in your prayers.

Athipet :—

Mr. P. Rajayyan writes that he was often confronted with the questions and the people definitely telling him that they cannot worship Jesus. They say 'who is sure whether we go to hell or heaven' and it does not matter whether we go to hell or heaven' He requests prayers from friends for these people.

Nadanoor :—

Mr. Gnanamuthu writes that seven young men have come forward to accept Christ as their Saviour. Amongst them, one Gopal is very strong in faith. The plan to build a chapel and a small dispensary with thatched roof may be a help to confirm the tribal people in their faith in Jesus. The members of St. John's church, fort Vellore, visit the centre regularly and give medical help and guide the work. Nurse Sarammal writes that many people come and get medical help and medicines. One day a child was brought in a very serious condition, After prayers and treatment the child improved. We thank God for the same.

Kalyanamanthai :—

Mr. Victor our evangelist informs us that the little congregation is beginning to show signs of life. During the thanksgiving service some of them took part and brought offerings which were more than that of last year. The present church building is a problem. The owner wants to possess the same and he requests friends to pray that God's will may prevail on him, so that we may continue to work in that centre.

Mr. Mathurabai Victor writes that this month she had treated many cases of fever, headache, sore-eyes, stomach disorder and many of them got better. May God grant the people grace to realise that Jesus is the Saviour and it is only His love that prompts us to help them.

Kundalathur :—

Mr. Paulian writes that he visits regularly the villages and tells about Christ and His resurrection. People are eager to hear the word of God but are unable to come to a decision because of the social regulations.

North India Organising Secretary Mr. Paul Singh writes that he visited Jodhpur, Biawar and Ajmer in Rajasthan from 13th to 25th November in the company of Rev. S.C.P. Tyagi—our missionary and contacted people in different places and many people got the pledge cards. This deputation, he writes, may bring in good support to the society to take the Gospel to un-reached people.

Tamil Nadu Organising Secretary, the Rev. J. M. Jayasingh reports that after his one month annual leave he will be doing deputation work in Kerala in the month of the January and February. We are glad to inform our readers that for convenience of travelling, he has been stationed at Trichy from January 1st 1975. He will come to Trichy only on March 1st.

Request

We received in this office unsigned letters and sometimes, pamphlets addressed in general terms. If these pamphlets are intended to convey God's message the friends who publish these ought to mention their name and address so that the readers may understand that they are genuine and also would be able to contact the publishers. Unsigned leaflets and open letters, do not bring glory to God. neither it helps the people.

2. Many copies of the National Missionary Intelligencer are returned to us: So, friends are kindly requested to intimate the change of address immediately to the N. M. S. office.

3. The birthday greetings. We are happy to observe that people wish to get birthday greetings from the National Missio-

nary Society of India, but because some do not intimate to us the change of address, such cards are returned to us. The non-recipients and they are much disappointed. We appreciate their feelings and we request the friends to kindly inform us of the change of address. This not only helps the office to send the cards to the correct address, but also saves wastage of postage. We request friends to extend their kind co-operation.

Felicitations Of The Newly Consecrated Bishops

We are glad to inform our readers of the consecration of the Rt. Rev. K. S. Kisku as the Bishop of Durgapur Diocese and Rt. Rev. J. E. Ghose as the Bishop of Darjeeling Diocese of the Church of North India. On behalf of the N.M.S. we wish the newly consecrated Bishops a successful Episcopal ministry and assure them of our prayers.

We also felicitate the Rt. Rev. T. S. Joseph on his elevation as the Bishop of Madhya Kerala of the Church of South India. He is the representative of Church of South India on our Governing Council. We pray that God may grant him the gift for a successful episcopal ministry. We assure him of our prayers.

We are also happy to learn that the Rev. L. Easter Raj was consecrated as the 7th Bishop of the Tamil Evangelical Lutheran church on the 14th January 1975. We pray to God to grant him His spirit for a successful Episcopal Ministry. We assure him of our prayers.

CORRECTION

In the December 1974 issue of the N.M.I. on page 8, under Kerala Read as follows:—

Through Miss A. Thomas	
Calicut N.M.S. Branch Collection	Rs. 21 66
St. Mary's Church, Calicut,	
(N.M.S. Sunday Collection)	Rs. 198 34
Christmas gift to workers from 'Jyothis'	Rs. 100 00
	Rs. 320 00
Instead of	
Through Miss A. Thomas, Jyothis	
Calicut Branch Collection	Rs. 320 00

INFORMATION

In the month of December we received Rs. 10/- by Money Order from Mrs. Stella Jeyaraj, C/o. C. J. Samraj, MISH & Co. Ltd. Cochin-3. We sent the receipt for the amount of Rs. 10/- to the above mentioned address but it was returned. Again we sent the returned receipt with a covering letter to the same address which has also been returned to us. So, this is to assure Mrs. Stella Jeyaraj that we received the amount, and it was acknowledged by receipt No. 404 dated 11-12-74, and also to request all members to give their correct addresses so that the receipts can reach them.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are very happy to inform the readers that Mr. Maxton and Mr. A. H. Khan of Lucknow have been elected as the President and Secretary of the U. P. Area Committee respectively. We welcome them and assure them of our co-operation and prayers. We trust that U. P. Area Committee will grow from strength to strength under their leadership. On behalf the society we thank the Rev. Paul Das and Miss M. M. Singh for their valuable service as President and Secretary of the U.P. for many years. We hope that they will continue to help the Society and the U. P. area committee with their guidance and help.

We are very happy to inform the readers the Rev. G. Vedamuthu has been elected as the President in the place of the Rev. Z. B. Anchees. We thank the Rev. Anchees for his help and guidance to the Society in general and to the Bombay Area Committee in particular. We welcome the new President the Rev. G. Vedamuthu, who with his experience would be able to guide the Bombay Area Committee to enlarge its activities. We assure the new President of our prayers and co-operation. At present the Bombay Area Committee is a model for its activities to other area committees. We trust that under the Rev. G. Vedamuthu's leadership the Bombay Area Committee will expand its activities still further.

We are also happy to inform the readers that a new branch has been formed at Tiruvalla with Suffragan Metropolitan the Rt. Rev. Alexander Mar Theophilos as President, Mr. A. Mathai as Secretary and Mr. I. Kuruvilla as Treasurer. We are also very happy that the Metropolitan of the Marthoma Church has commended the N.M.S. to the Marthoma Congregation for their support. We assure the Tiruvalla branch of our co-operation

and prayers. I hope and trust that the Tiruvalla branch will lead other areas in Kerala to come forward to form branches and extend their support.

A testimony and thanksgiving.

Mr. Isaac Sathiaraj of the State Bank of India, Madras is interested in the Missionary activities of the Society. His family members are ardent supporters of both the N.M.S. and the I.M.S. Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Sathiaraj and their four children are all life members of the Society. On the marriage of their eldest daughter Miss C. Felicta Sundaravadana with Capt. Joseph Rajakumar Titus on 26th December 1974, the bridegroom was made a life member of the Society.

This is a matter for thanks-giving. This is the second occasion on which the bridegrooms were made life members on their marriage day. May God bless the married couple and the Sathiarajas.

If every Christian family follows this example of support to the missionary task by prayers and contribution, it will go a long way in the Indian Church fulfilling its mission.

Life membership is not an end in itself, it is a life long committal. The members of this family are regular monthly contributors, which shows their life long committal to our Lord's task of evangelisation. May God bless them.

Obituary

1. Rev. William Borthwick :-

We regret to inform the readers of the death of Rev. William Borthwick. He was born in Edinburgh, Scotland in 1883. In his early days he was an ardent foot ball player. After his education he worked in office and got his Bible training in Glasgow. He came to India in 1907 as a Missionary of the C.I.G. Mission in Sathiamangalam. Married in India Elizebeth Rose Busch. In 1915, leaving the C.I.G. Mission, he went to Canada where he was ordained in the Presbyterian church. He worked there for 6 years from 1920 to 1925, as the Pastor of the Presbyterian church, Arizona, U.S.A. Returned to India to work with the Heart of

India Mission for 5 years. He was transferred to Adivaram Salem Dt. When the Heart of India mission was wound up, he continued his work of faith. He founded a Higher elementary school which today has a strength of 100 pupils with 30 teachers. He lost his wife in 1928. He had led many to Christ and won many friends. From 1950 after his retirement he lived with Mr. Franck C. Brown of Tirupattur North Arcot Dt. He was interested in evangelistic work till the last. He once visited our field in the Jawadhi Hills. He has contributed Rs. 2000/- Old age told upon his health and after a brief period of illness, he entered into eternal rest on October 31st 1974. After an inspiring funeral service, in which I.E.L.C., C.S.I. and Roman Catholics took part, his body was interred on 1st November 1974. He leaves behind him three sons, one of whom is Rev. George Borthwick now in U.S.A.

We pray that God may grant him the joy of His fellowship and eternal life. We convey to the bereaved family members our condolence and pray that God may grant them needed consolation.

2. **Mrs. T. N. Mukan** :— We regret to inform the readers that Mrs. T. N. Mukan, sister of Mrs. G. Hiwala, who was one of the society's friends and supporters, died in her own home at Jahnpur, after a brief period of illness. May God grant her the peace and the joy of His fellowship. We convey to the grieved family members our prayers and condolence.

3. Rev. A. S. Ephiphanes

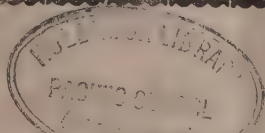
We are sorry to inform our readers of the sudden death of Rev. A. S. Ephiphanes one of the Senior Presbyter of the Trichy-Thanjavur Diocese of the C.S.I. on 2-1-1975. He was an evangelist and a pastor, whose only aim was to serve the Lord in whatever state he was placed by the church. He was very helpful to the Society wherever he was, enlisting support for the society from friends. We pray that God may grant him rest and the joy of His fellowship and eternal life. We pray that God may grant Mrs. Ephiphanes and his children consolation and assurance of His presence.

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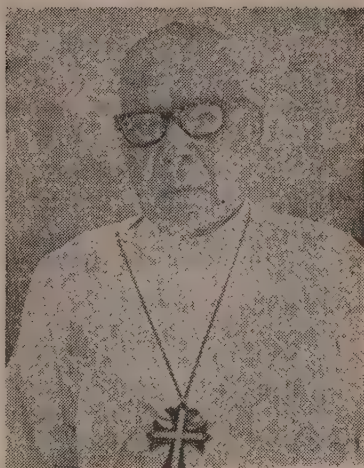
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Andaman & Nicobar Islands I



The Rt. Rev. M. D. Srinivasan,
Bishop of Andaman & Nicobar
Islands



The Rt. Rev. John Richardson
Asst. Bishop.



"ONGEES"

One of the tribes of Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

ERRATA

In 1975 March issue, page 3, II paragraph under the caption "THE HISTORY OF BIHAR WORK" to be read as follows :

"In the year 1968, the General Secretary visited Calcutta, in the company of Mr. A. V. Singh, Organising Secretary for North India. The Area Committee Secretary Mr. Mitra took us to one Prof. Bose who was the nephew of one of the founders of the N.M.S. He asked the General Secretary whether the N.M.S. could start work at Gomoh assuring to provide a piece of land with a house and also a certain amount of contribution towards the support of the project. The Executive Committee on hearing this, directed Mr. A. V. Singh and Mitra to visit and survey the area and report. But this could not materialise. Miss M. V. Singh, sister of Miss M. M. Singh of Lucknow who worked in various capacities there, reported that it was a proper centre to do evangelistic work. Somehow, we were withheld from starting work there....."

Note :

Friends are requested to inform their change of addresses the office.

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Meditation — 1 Thess. 4 : (13-17).

Three certainties of the Easter.

1. Easter is an event of joy. Easter was a victory over darkness, death and principalities of the world. Without Easter, there would not be Christianity. For St. Paul, as well as for other Christians, Easter had been the foundation of the faith in our ever-loving Lord. St. Paul wrote to his Thessolonian converts, who were disappointed with the belated second coming and were doubtful about the life after death and about the future of their dead ancestors, who died earlier, that the three things were certain :-

(1) **Coming of our Lord.** Our Lord, who co-existed with God, the Father, who rose from the dead, was sure to return (V. 16). Even though many tried to predict the time of His second coming, no one was sure of the date and time. But, still St. Paul assures that our Lord was sure to come, but, as our Lord himself has said (Math. 24:36), no one could predict His second coming. St. Paul was sure that *He would come*.

(2) **We will meet our Lord.** St. Paul was also sure that there would not only be His second coming, but it would also accompany with the resurrection of the dead and the meeting of the living. (v. 4:16-17). So, the resurrection was not a past action, but there is a future act of God, in which the living will meet our Lord. Therefore, the Easter gives us the second certainty that we will meet our Lord one day.

(3) **We will have everlasting fellowship with our Lord. v. 18.** St. Paul also told the Thessolonians that the result of meeting the Lord would be that we shall always be with the Lord. There an everlasting fellowship was assured to the Christians. The third certainty of the Easter is that we will have fellowship with our Lord.

2. We, Christians readily believe and confess the resurrection of our Lord as a past event; but we lack the urgency with which the second coming of our Lord was emphasised by the earlier Christians. St. Paul assured to his converts that there

would be second coming and that we should be prepared to meet our Lord, which will result in our everlasting fellowship with our Saviour. But this fellowship, though everlasting is not an event to look for in the future, but it is here and now. This fellowship is a status in which man was created. This would be the end of man's redemption. Hence, the Easter has assured us of the ever-lasting fellowship of our Lord. It is this only, this certainty that makes our Society, the N.M.S., to carry on its work, because it realises His presence in its life and activities. May this assurance of His presence be with every reader. Amen.

—Rev. K. G. S. Dorairaj

Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

(My observations during my brief stay to study in the Andamans the missionary work from a missionary view point)

The Andaman & Nicobar Islands are a part of the great Himalayan range which extends to the south as far as the Malayan peninsula and submerges under the sea and appears as a group of Islands. This archipelago consists of more than 226 islands—none is sure of the number. Some large while others small to very small. Some of them are inhabited while others are not. The total stretch is 347 miles from north to south and 17 miles wide at the broadest point.

As they are parts of the great Himalayan range, most of them rise from the sea steep. The landscape is like Kerala or Malayasia full of vegetation, with ups and downs. The climate is tropical having rain for 6 to 8 months in a year and summer for four months. The day breaks at 5.30 in the morning and the sun sets at 5.00 P.M. The day is very hot from 8.30 A.M. to 4.30 P. M. It is very oppressive because of high percentage of humidity.

The hills and islands are full of jungles some of them have not yet been explored. Timber is the chief product. We have the oldest saw-mill in Asia here. Marble, wood, padauk and chooi are rare kinds of wood that are found here.

The People :

Under the British regime this was a penal settlement, hence it was isolated from the mainland. The people knew very little about the same, but after the II world war and after getting independence, these islands were open for the mainland and

refugees from Burma and other places had settled here. Even though it is part and parcel of India, it still remains isolated for lack of proper communication, regular postal service and shipping arrangements. So, when people think of these islands from a missionary point of view we were made to think of the tribals and the need for evangelisation of them. It is challenging and attractive.

At Port Blair, if you walk along the road, the first man you come across is a Malayalee, then you can hear a man talking either Telugu or Tamil. In the bazar street, you can hear people talking. Hindi which is the lingua franca of the islands and Malayalam, Tamil, Telugu, Bengali etc.

As this was a penal settlement, we have exconvict settlers, whose descendents call themselves as *LOCALS*.

Then there are a few settlers from the tribals of U.P. called *BHANTUS*.

There are some christians among these people and they are shepherded by the (Ex-Anglican) Church of North India.

Malayalees :

These form the bulk of the middle class being local officers and clerks. The christians among them are from the Syrian stock, either belonging to the Mar Thoma or the Jacobites-a very small group meet as Brethren group.

Tamils : Some of the Tamil speaking people are refugees from Burma while others are from Tamil Nadu from Arkonam and Chittor side. These people came seeking employment. Most of them are coolies and skilled workers, employed mostly in the P.W.D. Department.

Telugus : These people are drawn from Chittor, Godavari and Hyderabad district of Andhra:

The Tamil christians are shepherded by the Methodist Church in Southern Asia with three ministers, but the Telugu Christians are still unorganised. Most of them were drawn from the Lutheran and the Baptist traditions. There is no ordained minister. Self styled men calling themselves as PADREES are dividing the little flock. Most of the Telugu people are uneducated and fall a prey to these opportunists. There are large numbers of Telugus untouched and settled in other islands.

BANGALIS : They have a settlement of their own. I think no evangelistic work is done among them. Mostly the refugees are from east Bengal.

There are people from *Ranchee* in Bihar, They are mostly Roman Catholics and Lutherans.

I am also given to understand that there are Kerans of Burma, who settled in the Island during the British time. They belong to Baptist tradition.

The natives of the Islands are the tribals called **ANDAMANESE, ONGHEES, SHOMPEN, Sentinal Nicobrese.**

The *Andamanese* are very few in number estimated to be 19 to 22, now segregated and settled in an island. They are a dwindling race. There are friendly and come under the influence of civilisation.

ONGEES : They live in the Little Andamans. Their population is estimated to be a little over 140. Though they are friendly, they have not accepted the civilised way of life. They are not communicative.

JARAWAS : Their population is estimated to be between 500-700. They are very hostile and wild. They kill any one who attempts to reach them, with poisonous arrows. Even the Govt. Officials could not reach them.

Andamanese, Onghees and Jarawas belong to Nigroite group.

Nicobarese, Shompens and sentinals are of the Mongolian stock. They most probably migrated via BURMA. These live in the southern group of Islands called the Nicobar Islands. The landscape of the Nicobar islands is flat and full of coconut groves, Nicobarese have been civilised by the christian influence and almost all of them are Christians. Now the attempt is being made by the Bishop. John Richardoson to win their akin group **SHOMPEN'S** to Christ. The Nicobar population is said to be between 18,000 and 20,000 The Nicobares had contact with the outside world since 420 A.D.

The reach of the Gospel to these Islands.

Four attempts were made to reach the people with the gospel from the 17th century, by the Jesuits, Moravians and Roman

Catholics, but all of them failed due to the deadly weather, jungle, privations of these islands and by the all powerful witch doctors.

Port Blair, of the south Andaman islands had been the caief port and the seat of the Govt. A convert from Hinduism by name V. Solomon Thambusamy from Thanjavur came here on his appointment as a magistrate, and in that capacity he used to follow the superintendent of the settlement on his annual trip to the Nicobar Islands. After the establishment of a convict settlement at Port Blair, an orphanage for aboriginal boys was started in 1885. He was left in charge of the same in the next year. He on his trips used to collect boys for the boarding school. The parents had their children from his reach. He brought grown up ones from Nicobar. Once some of them tried to escape in an open boat only to be lost in the sea. This incident put a great burden for the Nicobarese and his heart. After repeated requests he was released from service to settle and work among the Nicobarese. A house and school was built for him. He was also appointed as the liaison officer, Govt. agent and as the observer of the Metrological observatory. He was accepted as the S.P.G. evangelist in 1895. He forcibly collected 12 boys of school going age of which John Richardson was one who were later baptised in 1900. These were the 1st set to be received into the church. After Mr. Solomon's death in 1909, the work was continued by his devoted wife Mrs. Anbu Solomon. After being educated in Rangoon Mr. John Richardson joined her as an assistant teacher. After her heavenly call, he took charge of the school and acted as catchist. SO, THE PIONEER MISSIONARY TO THESE ISLANDS WAS A TAMIL, and a LAY MAN FROM THANJAVUR, WHICH WAS THE STARTING PLACE OF THE S. P. G. MISSION WORK IN INDIA.

Later Mr. John Richardson was ordained clergy and was consecrated as assistant to the Bishop of Calcutta with a special responsibility for the Nicobar islands. He is 94 years old now. The whole work in Nicobar was due to his tireless work. Now he is an assistant Bishop still very active. He is attempting to win his kin group Shompens.

The Andamans had been a penal and deportation centre. There was a chaplain stationed here from 1863. During 1942-55 there were no chaplains. There was no orgained parish also. In 1955 and the Rev. M.D. Srinivasan was appointed as the provincial missionary of the Church of India. Christians from LOCALS, numbering about 200 and BHANTUS are in the middle part of south, Andamans.

The Church and State relationship

The relationship between the administration and the church is very cordial. The Bishop of Andaman & Nicobar Islands is looked upon as the head of the christian community here, irrespective of the denominational differences. The Rt. Rev. M. D. Srinivasan has all my admiration for his broad mindedness to care for all denominational groups. I do not know whether it is due to his own background or due to the ashram influence. He is the only Ex-Anglican whom I met in 40 years with this broad outlook. I cannot call it liberal attitude as in his heart he has a deep attachment for his mother church but that has not led him to fanatic factionalism. He as a father in God, looks to all christians in these islands as his children. He has baptised, married in the Methodist Church. He still supervises the work of the Methodist here. He protects the Roman Catholics and helps them in their difficulties with the administration, which was appreciated by them and they made him a member in their school administrative board. He had pleaded for the christians with the administration. He had guarded the property of the Methodists from encroachment by the administration. He strongly believes that it would be better for each christian to grow in the background of his denomination. He is a nominated member in the municipal board. For anything affecting christians irrespective of his denominational difference he is consulted by the administration. He is truly a liaison officer of the local christian community here. Even non-christians look upto him as their trusted friend and Father in God. Even though this state may be embarassing to him when he is questioned about some other denominational groups, its relationship with the administration etc, it is a help to the cause of the church and the gospel. It is this concern for others that made him to guide the N.M.S. to start work among the Telugus. The Bishop acts in the real spirit of ecumenism.

(to be continued in the next issue)

—Rev. K. G. S. Dorairaj

News from N.M.S. Fields

Nepal Mr. V. T. Abraham writes :

In spite of the watch and surveillance of Government officials our Gospel work goes on spreading like leaven. Recently 10 people took baptism. One of them is Mr. Singreer and his family. To wreak their vengeance on the family, the village Panchayat has taken away his land to construct a Hindu Temple.

Another lady who is a believer in the village of Kavli was driven into wilderness and the villagers have taken away her property.

In the matter of education of our children, we have difficulties. The medium of education is Nepali. So, we have to send our children to India which we cannot afford. We request the prayers of friends for our converts.

Dabra The Rev. Sherring writes :

Regular sunday and week day Services are held. In addition I am convening youth fellowship meetings in Jhansi. We had the visit of the Rev. S. W. Plumer, presbyter of Jhansi Church during Easter, I visited Isagarh where I had the fellowship of the Rev. W. K. Singh.

North India Organising Secretary writes :

Visited Allahabad. Peperia Chindwara and Jubbulpore and organised meetings and spoke about the work of N.M.S. at Pushkar and Kishengarh (Rajasthan)

The Rev. Tyagi writes :

I contacted Dr. R.N. Mathew and undertook street preaching. Visited Ramgarh, Mehrshali, held prayer meetings and Christian Public meetings, conducted personal evangelism in Pushkar and Kishangarh. I am having enquirers. Please pray for them.

Andamans Mr. Ch, Ashirvadam writes :

Held Sunday Services cottage prayer meetings and visited the homes of families. The General Secretary from Madras visited us and the members from 7-3-75 to 25-3-75.

Organising Secretary West India Mr. J. P. Ashwal writes :

Visited Sagar Shimoga, Hubli, Udipi, Honavar Kumta Goa and organised meetings. While in Bombay I arranged prayer meetings, cottage meetings in Borvilla, Vikroli and Kurla.

Jowahar Bombay, Daniel Palaspagar writes :

Visited several villages round about Jawahar. I am Organising and attending small prayer Group among the Adivasis. We prayed for a lady in the Adivasi family and she became well. The faith of the people in God increased. Please pray for these people.

Muddebihal Mr. F. Bhasme writes :

I am carrying on Gospel meetings personal contacts, Sunday School and services as usual. Please pray for us. Now and again we have troubles during street preachings by mischief makers.

Nadanur Mr. Gnanamuthu writes:

I am carrying on evangelistic work in the villages round about Nadanur. I am regularly conducting night school. The building of dispensary, and prayer hall is going on from 10-3-75 after materials have been gathered. There is a mild opposition by 3 men for the spreading the Gospel and in the building of the dispensary. The workers were, even prevented from doing work. By God's grace work is going on. So far, 331 persons received medical help. Income through sale of medicines is Rs. 95.

Jamnamarathur The Rev. D. Elias writes :

Dr. Job, C.M.C. Hospital Vellore and other doctors visited us. During this month we had a meeting of congregation members and we visited many villages and preached the Gospel. A young doctor who came along with Dr. Job has a call to work among the tribal people. The problem of financial support is before us. If Christian Doctors all over Tamil Nadu have a call to help the tribal people in medical relief, an approach may be made to contribute from their earnings. From such receipts a doctor can be maintained. We have to pray over this and launch out efforts.

In all other Hill Stations, as Kundalathur Allery, Athipet, Veerapanur regular Gospel meetings, cottage meetings, personal contact work Sunday Schools and Night School are carried on.

Famous Hymns and their Authors 17

Joseph Scriven 1819-1886.

“What a friend we have in Jesus” — Songs & SOLOS. 319.

Henry Brooks Adams once said “One friend in a life time is good, two are many, three hardly possible.” It may truly be said that Joseph Scriven had only one friend and that was Jesus.

He was born in the country of Down Ireland in 1819 in a well-to-do family and had he lived in Ireland he would have prospered well. Ill luck dogged his life. The day before his marriage, his fiancée was drowned as she was crossing over a river to join him. This worried him and suffering from a melancholia, he migrated to Canada where he was doing some good social work. Plans for a marriage a second time also ended in a tragedy in that his fiancée died by consumption a few days before the wedding. His last days were wretched on account of his ill-health with intervals of attacks of melancholia. One report says that in a fit of melancholia he drowned himself.

Thus Scriven's life was one of the most unfortunate and such a man to write the above hymn is a paradox in life. The hymn was long kept unpublished and when questioned as to why he kept it secret. Screvein said "This hymn was written by God and given to comfort me and my mother during our great sorrows." Hence this hymn written for the need of one soul has become the inspiration of millions!! Without question as hymnologists have stated, that this hymn is one of the ten most popular of the 400 hymns in our Christian Hymnal. This hymn is so popular that it has been translated into over 100 languages.

E.P.G.

Happy News

Members and friends of the N.M.S. will be glad to learn that the marriage of our South India Organising Secretary The Rev. J. M. Jayasingh with Miss J. Jayamathy is to take place in Muruthamcode K. K. Dist on 23-4-75. Also the marriage of Mr. John Thomas our N.M.S. evangelist at Dhanbad (Bihar) will take place on 24-4-75 at Trivandrum. We send our heartiest felicitations to the 2 couples on their happiest day and wish them God's blessing in their new lives they are starting. Friends are requested to pray for the two couples.

We are happy to announce the birth of a girl to Mr. Victor and Mrs. Mathurabai, our workers in Jawadi. We wish the family God's blessings.

The Rev. K. G. S. Duralraj
General Secretary.

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„ D. Titus	10	00
„ J. M. David, Kottayam.	25	00
Rev. G. Robinson,		
Nellikakuzhi.	160	00
Mr. O. G. Samuel	10	00
„ C. V. Mathew		
Thiruvalla	5	00
„ M. J. Jesudhason	10	00
	3,748	00

Karnataka

Treasurer, South Kanara		
Coorg Area Council,		
Mangalore.	1,183	65
Thro' Mr. A. Soans	37	00
Thro' Mrs. L. E. Soans	60	00

Thro' Mr. G. A. Soans,
Mangalore.

M/s A. B. Jathanna	24	00
Mrs. S. Anchan	5	00
„ I. M. Soans	5	00
„ H. Salins	5	00
Rev. J. L. Sadananda	10	00
M/s G. A. Soans	10	00
„ J. Williams	5	00
„ R. E. Neethy	10	00
„ Im. Theophil	10	00
„ Romoda Heri	3	00
„ E. H. Motian	10	00
„ G. A. Soans	2	00
„ I. M. Frank	5	00
Mr. J. B. Bagera	10	00
„ G. I. S. Paul	15	00
Mrs. Welrha, Mangalore	5	00
Marthoma Church, Bangalore		
Thro' Mrs. G. Sathiaraj	1,000	00
	2,414	65

North Tamil Area

Christ Church, Gandhipuram	199	45
Thro' Mr. Jason Jayaraj,		
Kancheepuram	67	07
Ebenezer Aided School,		
Katpadi	36	00

	Rs.	P.
Salem Branch collections :		
Thro' Mr. R. David	110	00
„ Miss Arthur	125	00
Mrs. Isabella Charles, Vellore	53	00
„ L. Johnson, Ranipet	10	00
Mr. Moses Lazarus, Vellore	20	00
„ A. Appasamy	15	00
„ A. Thomas Williams	15	00
„ A. Issac Newton	15	00
„ T. Lawrence	15	00
„ P. Kanagaratnam	3	00
„ V. N. Daniel, Vellore	10	00
Miss P. Gurumanickam,		
Coimbatore	5	00
Mr. M. Jebamony,		
Coimbatore	5	00
Mrs. T. P. Prakasam	10	00
Mr. J. S. Premkumar, Ranipet	5	00
Mrs. J. Manicka Mary,		
Nilgris	10	00
Mr. D. P. Amos, Vellore	43	00
Mr. C. J. Samuel, Ranipet	5	00
„ Augustine Salins,		
Coonoor	50	00
Rev. Gnanasundaram,		
Katpadi	30	00
Mr. Prabath Singh, Coonoor	5	00
Dr. Samuel Charles, Ranipet	20	00
Mr. Thomas Peter,		
Kanchipuram	40	00
Miss M. Johnstone, Kotagiri	25	00
„ L. Devaneson, Coonoor	25	00
Dr. S. Gurubatham, Salem	30	00
	1,001	52

Maharashtra

Wesley Church, Bombay	50	00
Treasurer, U B M. Church,		
Bombay	346	00
U.B.B.S. Association,		
ycotmal,		
Thro' Mr. M G. Thomas	494	25
Mrs M. Krishnayya	50	00
„ Jeyaselvi Paulraj,		
Bombay	10	00
Mr. V. Moses, Bombay	50	00

Thro' Mr. J. P. Ashwal :

Bombay collections		
Rev. G. Vedamuthu	10	00
The Karnataka Church	50	00
Mr. V. J. Salins, Bombay	10	00
„ J. W. Meneses	20	00

	Rs.	P.		Rs.	P.
Mrs. Meeneses	10	00	Dr. Joshua	5	00
„ E. Kurien	10	00	I. G. Soans	5	00
Dr. M. D. David	10	00	Gladson Jathanna	10	00
Mr. Charles Wilfred	10	00	George Herbert	5	00
„ Mohan	10	00	John Jathamma	25	00
Principal, Wilson College	15	00	J. D. Bangera	10	00
Rev. B. J. Kunder	10	00	The Christian congregation	25	00
Mr. N. T. Suvarna,	10	00	S. I. George Manipal	5	00
„ S. Anches	10	00	K. Maben	9	00
Udipi collections :			Mrs. Devadatta	20	00
Mrs. E. J. Mery Ashwal	10	00	Mr. Palanna	10	00
Rev. E. J. Devadatta	10	00	Sanjeeva Amanna	5	00
Miss D. Aenanna	10	00	Herbert	5	00
Rev. W. F. James	5	00	L. Manoharan	10	00
Mr. & Mrs. V. A. Koveri	10	00	Mrs. L. S. Simons	5	00
Mr. E. G. Vedamuthu	5	00	P. J. Andrews	5	00
Mr. & Mrs. Vincent	20	00	Devapiriya Karkada	5	00
Rev. A. A. Albert	5	00	Rev. & Mrs. R. A. Ephraim	25	00
Mr. Bernahardht	5	00	G. D. Palanna	5	00
„ I. S. Lazarus	20	00	Hilari Maben	6	00
„ A. C. Lazarus	10	00	Mrs. Alice Amanna	5	00
Mrs. R. Kunder	5	00	M/s Charles Kotian	2	00
I. Joshua	5	00	Daniel Kotian	2	00
Gershon Sahins	5	00	Felix Amanna	5	00
James Kunder	5	00	Christopher Amanna	10	00
J. W. Amanna	5	00	Ananda Kotian	5	00
Manipal collections			Devaputra Karkada	3	00
M/s H Karkada	10	00	Ebenezer Jathama	2	00
Rajeena Kotian	5	00	Sanjeeva Amanna	5	00
Thro' Mr. L. Maben	10	00	B. Amanna	2	00
Mr. John Sunder	5	00	S. Palanna	5	00
Winston Karkada	2	00	J. W. Jathanna	5	00
Winfred A. Vedamuthu	3	00	John Jathanna	5	00
David Vedamuthu	5	00	Rolland Salins	3	00
J. N. Jathanna	10	00	Siaff Udyavara B.C M.		
Mrs. Sanathri Johnas	10	00	School	12	00
M. D. Muthu	10	00	Gabriel Anchen	5	00
David Karkada	5	00	Godwin Suvarna	5	00
Mrs. A. Shananthi	5	00	Ebenezer Amanna	5	00
Mrs. M. Amanna	10	00	Jesupriya Karkada	2	00
M/s J. O. Bangera	10	00	Mrs. Muddava Kotian	5	00
Tijpal Kunder	5	00	Prabhakar Prabhu	5	00
Rajuna Marks	5	00	Rev. A. C. V. Kunder	5	00
H. A. Barnard	10	00	Mrs. Hemavathi	5	00
B. Amanna	3	00	Ananda Karkada	5	00
M. T. Maben	5	00	Auction sale offering of		
S. Karkada	5	00	Udyavara Church	9	50
E. D. Ananda	10	00	Rev. I. L. Soans	10	00
Miss H. Jenet	10	00	Mr. James Jathanna	3	00
H. S. Aiman	5	00	Mrs. J. S. Jathanna	5	00
Mrs. R. S. Amanna	10	00	Jacob Jathanna	2	00
Swarthappa Karkada	25	00	Samuel Karkada	2	00
Mrs. G. Karkada	30	00	Ebenezer Soans	3	00
William Heri	2	00	Prasad Jathanna	1	00
H. S. Palanna	5	00	Hasael Soans	3	00
A. J. Kotian	5	00	Mrs. Susamma Soans	1	00
			C. S. I. Christakrupa Ashram	20	00
			Mr. A. S. Aiman	10	00

	Rs.	P.		Rs.	P.
Mr. William Jathanna	25	00	Rev. Fr. George	10	00
„ T. M. Mathew	5	00	Rev P. J. Thomas	10	00
„ John Amanna	5	00	K. Jayakar Babu	1	00
Sunder Amanna	5	00	Mr Harsha Kotian	18	00
Rev. Zachariah	5	00	Paul Dorairaj	10	00
Mrs. Gusheela Anchen	5	00	C. Chandra Prasad	25	00
Mr. H. C. Maben	5	00	Pastor T. E. Oommen	10	00
„ John Prabhakar	10	00	Mrs: Mariamma	5	00
„ A. C. Doss	10	00	St. Thomas Church	25	00
Dr. A. B. Sharadamba	5	00	Mr. E. E. Soans	25	00
Rev. P. F. Grleon	5	00	A. R. Clare	15	00
Dr. I. Devadatta	10	00	J. D. Wartika	10	00
Mr. S. M. Vittekor	2	00	T. V. Sampriya	5	00
Ratnakar Kannamma	1	00	H. G. Amanna	10	00
David Karvanna	1	00	A. C. Clare	25	00
Samuel Samoda	2	00	Sushanti Sunday School	20	00
Mr. Ezeikel Soans	5	00	Vikroli B. M. Union	20	00
„ James Lincoln	5	00	Miss Gitanjali Furt Ado	10	00
„ E. Victor Indukumar	2	00	Bhandup collect ons	73	00
„ Kumar Stanley	2	00	Vikhroli collections	88	50
„ E. Dinchen	3	03	Bycula Branch collectionhs	53	00
„ S. Alice Manohara	3	00	Kurla collections	220	00
Mrs. Kamhocommol	5	00	Ghatkaper collections	86	50
Mr. S. George	5	00	Rev. John J. Amanna	5	00
„ Joseph David	5	00	Mr. E. Hamilton	5	00
„ Edwin V. Kumar	5	00	„ S. Y. Bhasme	10	00
„ Wesley Wilhelm	5	00	„ A. Amanna	10	00
„ J. Devakar	3	00	„ David Soans	100	00
„ P. S. Abraham	10	00	„ S. H. Soans	50	00
John George	25	00	Mr. Johnson R. Pengal	15	00
Mr. A. Vedaratnam	5	00	Mrs. V. Venkatachalam	25	00
„ C. G. Prakash	5	00	„ Bangua	5	00
„ A. John	5	00	Chembur collections	6	00
Sundera Jathamma	5	00	Worli collections	30	00
Ebenezer Jathanna	2	00	Morol collections	92	00
P. Y. Kotian	1	00	Dorcas Samaj, Chembur	10	00
Mrs. Mariamma Kotian	5	00	Bombay collections	370	00
„ Johanna Kunder	0	50	Salary of M/s. Franklin		
Gilbert Karkada	5	00	Bhasme & Daniel	900	30
Salathiel Kotian	1	00			
Ezekiel Kotian	2	00		4898	08
H. Soans	2	00			
Mrs Violet Jathanna	4	00	Special Receipts :		
„ Prabhavathy Jathanna	1	00	<i>Puri Work ;</i>		
Bernahar Soans	5	00	Mr. L. K. Singh	30	00
Zacharia Gojer	1	00	Dr. R. K. Roul, Vellore	20	00
Mr. John Amanna	10	00	Mr. C. Jones, N. A. Dt.	30	00
Roland David	51	00	Mr. S. A. Ebenezer, Ms 1	10	00
Mr. & Mrs. H. W. Anchan	25	00		90	00
Mr. P. abhakar Karkada	20	00			
Mr. & Mrs. R. Simmons	25	00	<i>Jawadhi Hills Work :</i>		
Mrs. Daniel	1	00	Dr. A. P. Abraham		
Mr. R. R. Dhante	5	00	Rajnangaon	300	00
„ Shantappa Aiman	5	00	Mr. A. Sobanam	60	00
„ Wilfred	5	00			
„ Samuel Prabhakar	2	00		360	00
„ W. Soans Sagar	3	00			
„ D. Charles	5	00			

	Rs.	P.
Uppada :		
Mr. K. Chinna, Uppada	150	00
Mrs. A. Dorairaj, Madras (Medical aid to Mrs. Rosaiah)	31	08
	181	08

Birth Day Gifts :

Mrs. E. Paul Gnanabharanam	5	00
„ Evangeline Devakirupai	2	00
Rev. V. D. Sahayam, Ms.	10	00
Mrs. Indira Cooper, Ms.	5	00
Mr. A. C. Ralph, Allahabad	2	00
„ Sam P. Yesudian, Bombay	10	00
„ C. B. S. Ragland, Ms. 12	3	00
„ E. V. Lite, Madras	3	00
„ N. Samuel, Royapettah	25	00
„ C. S. John, Madras	20	00
„ G. A. Soans, Mangalore	5	00
Mrs. B. Soans, Mangalore	2	00
„ I. M. Soans, Mangalore	5	00
	97	00

Bihar Work :

Dindigul Branch	500	00
	500	00

Life Members :

Mrs. M. Benedict, Bombay	100	00
Dr. Mrs. L. Carey, Rajamundry	100	00
Mr. A. H. Khan, Lucknow	100	00
Mrs. A. H. Khan, Lucknow	100	00
Mr. Wilburn Joacquin, Ms.	100	00
	500	00

Tribal Scholarship :

Mrs. H. Jacob, Munnar	16	00
Mr. J. S. Premkumar, Ranipet	25	00
Mr. W. Jayapaul, Ranipet	5	00
	46	00

	Rs.	P.
Mrs. L. Thambiah, Madras		
Towards well expenses	300	00

Madras City

Bains School, Ms-10	207	50
St. Paul's Church, Ms-7	100	00
St. John's Church, Egmore	25	00
Kodambakkam Pastorate	100	00
All Saints Church, Triplicane	200	00
St. James Church, Madras	50	00
C S.I. Missionary Chapel Madras	50	00
Thro' Mr. Alfred Vetharaj	93	00
„ Mr. J. F. Devaraj	152	00
Mr. E. A. Pitchai Pillai	289	50
„ Mrs. A. Dorairaj	344	00
„ „ Stella Moses	122	50
„ Mr. E. Paul Gnanabharanam	763	00
Mr. R. Joseph	333	00
M/s. D. S. Dharmaraj	411	00
„ D. Monsingh	114	75
Mrs. Joy Pandian	121	00
„ A. Kesari	36	00
„ Mr. P. C. Arumai- nayagam	69	00
Thro' Mr. Earnest Mnthiah	536	00
„ Mr. Colton Samuel	94	10
„ S. F. Jayavelu	78	55
„ S. S. Samuel	575	00
Dr. V. Titus George	5	00
M/s Job G. Paul	15	00
„ M. Stanley	15	00
„ Christopher Williams	1	50
Mrs. & Mr. V. G. Williams	10	00
Miss L. Vedanayagam	10	00
Mr. James A. David	12	00
Mrs. T. M. Dawson	50	00
M/s. E. Lazarus	7	00
„ T. Ambrose	10	00
„ W. Prakash	4	00
„ M. Gnanaraj	10	00
„ P. S. Dorairaj	10	00
Dr. Jayapaul Azariah	20	00
Mrs. Illefe	54	00
M/s. G. Francis	5	00
„ P. Siromani	15	00
„ Paul Doss	1	00
Mrs. Venkatramanan	20	00
Mr. A. P. K. Roy	12	00
Dr. Lionel Chaplan	15	00
M/s K. V. Mathew	12	00
„ P. A. S. Roy	10	00
Mrs. Herbert	15	00
„ Mercy Appasamy	10	00

	Rs.	P.			
Dr. A. S. Johnson	60	00	Mrs. Saramma Niman,		
„ J. P. Thomas	10	00	Pudupally	10	00
M/s G. G. James	15	00	Horeb Convention,		
J. Dan Joseph	10	50	Pudupally	150	00
M/s Y. M. D. Dhanraj	15	00	Mr. K. C. Mani, Pudupally	10	00
Grubb Asirvatham	15	00	Mrs. Aleyamma Andnent,		
Miss C. Vedanayagam	50	00	Kottayam	10	00
Mr. Paul Doss	2	00	Rt. Rev. Thomas Mar		
Mrs. G. J. Timothy	5	00	Athanasias, Kottayam	20	00
Mr. A. G. George Clemants	15	00	Mr. C. D. Abraham,		
„ B. Mathuram,	3	00	Kottayam	5	00
Mr. & Mrs. Royappa	5	00	Mr. V. S. John, Kottayam	5	00
Mr. James Duraisingh			Mr. N. M. Zachariah,		
Gnanamuthu	1	00	Kottayam	2	00
Mr. I. Sathiaraj	20	00	Mrs. Jessie Stephen,		
<i>Sale Collections ;</i>			Nagercoil	5	00
Mrs. L. Cyril Raj	177	00	Mr. & Mrs. Paul and Gladys		
„ A. Dorairaj	22	00	Devasahayam, Nagercoil	5	00
			Mr. & Mrs. Jayachandra,		
			Nagercoil	5	00
			C.S.I. Kellarada	7	00
	5638	40	Mr. Kunjan, Vellarada	1	00
			C.S.I. Arakkudi	10	00

Field Receipts :

Thro' Jawadhi Hills	217	05
Ishapanthy Ashram	133	60
Bageshwar	5	00
Muddebihal	20	45
Uppada	5	00
Rajasthan	1	00

Thro' Rev. Edwin Sherring

Mrs. T. Spencer	10	00	(contribution)	25	00
Rev. & Mrs. Edwin Sherring	10	00	Dr. Miss Mary Mathew		
Mr. & Mrs. A B David	5	00	Ludhiyana	50	00
" D V. Hoffman	10	00	Mr. John Enoch Guilon	100	00
" Job	7	00	Dr. V. Simpson, Guilon	15	00
" A. K. Jacob	5	00	Mr. Varghese Philip, Quilon	10	00
" Benji Masin	8	00	" Moses Justus, Quilon	25	00
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" Hardwin Spencer	4	00	" P. P. Mathew, Kuruppim-		
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Mr. & Mrs. Usha Singh	10	00	Mrs. Mariamma Thomos,		
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" D M Cellins	2	00	Rev. C. George Mathew,		
			Mavelikara	10	00

Thro' Rev. Jayasingh

Mrs. Marimma Mani, Kottayam	10 00
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Mrs. Saramma Niman, Pudupally	10	00
Horeb Convention, Pudupally	150	00
Mr. K. C. Mani, Pudupally	10	00
Mrs. Aleyamma Andnent, Kottayam	10	00
Rt. Rev. Thomas Mar Athanasias, Kottayam	20	00
Mr. C. D. Abraham, Kottayam	5	00
Mr. V. S. John, Kottayam	5	00
Mr. N. M. Zachariah, Kottayam	2	00
Mrs. Jessie Stephen, Nagercoil	5	00
Mr. & Mrs. Paul and Glady Devasahayam, Nagercoil	5	00
Mr. & Mrs. Jayachandra, Nagercoil	5	00
C.S.I. Kellarada	7	00
Mr. Kunjan, Vellarada	1	00
C.S.I. Arathukuzhi	19	00
Mr. L. Russalam, Amaravilla	10	00
Through Mr. John, Amaravilla	10	00
Miss Ramani Bai, Amaravilla	12	00
Mrs. Rajeevam George, Amaravilla	2	00
Mr. R. Selvaraj, Amaravilla	2	00
C.S.A. Amaravilla (collection)	43	65
Mr. G. Stephen, Amaravilla	5	00
C.S.I. Church, Amaravilla (contribution)	25	00
Dr. Miss Mary Mathew Ludhiyana	50	00
Mr. John Enoch Guilon	100	00
Dr. V. Simpson, Guilon	15	00
Mr. Varghese Philip, Quilon	10	00
„ Moses Justus, Quilon	25	00
„ Koravaili, Kuruppimpadi	5	00
„ P. P. Mathew, Kuruppim- padi	10	00
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„ Sormma Philip, Sihora	10	00
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Rev. C. George Mathew, Mavelikara	10	00
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Mr. K. T. Joseh, Chandur	5	00	M. M. Devaputhra	2 00
„ Jacob Chandy,			J. P. Vijayarao	5 00
Puthenkaku	10	00	N. Sadanand	2 00
„ P. Thomas Koshy,			V. Satyavarakumar	2 00
Karunegapally	5	00	N. Vijaya Kumar	2 00
Mrs. Annamma Mathew,			N. Y. Devavara Prasad	2 00
Kottayam	15	00	T. Yesudas	2 00
„ Mariamma Mathal,			T. Nooka Raju & family	5 00
Kottayam	14	00	B. Ravindra Babu	2 00
Mr. V. K. Abraham,			S. Jayakar Christian, family	5 00
Perumbavoor	5	00		
„ Jacob Varghese,	10	00	<i>B. Th. IInd Year :</i>	
Perumbavoor	5	00	B. Anandam	2 00
„ Abraham Varghese.			B. Daniel Samuel	1 00
Kuralkose, Perumbavoor	5	00	T. D. Livingstone	2 00
Dr. & Mrs. Alexander			B. Henry	1 00
V. Daniel, Trichur	10	00	J. M. John Swaraj	3 00
Mr. P. V. Varghese, Alwaye	10	00	P. Joseph	5 00
„ Rajamanickam, „	5	00	I. Kanthiah	3 00
„ D.G. Noel, Udyogamadal	5	00	B. Lalsingh Lazarus	2 00

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„ R. Yesurathnam	10	00	P. Y. Sudarshanam	2 00
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R. Benjamin	2	00	U. Zechariah	2 00
B. C. P. Kamalakar	2	00	P. Solomon	2 00
M. D. S. Manikya Rao	3	00	<i>B. Th. IV the year</i>	
K. Deva Shastruiu	2	00	A. Alfred	2 00
Ch. D. Sadanand	2	00	M. Benerjee	2 00
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M. Jesudas	1	00	G. David Wilson	3 00
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			Manda Samuel	3 00
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Y. Vedaratnam	2	00	Mr. George Thangamani	24 00
K. Daniel Gandhi	1	00	Mrs. Helen Rajiah	6 00
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J. Yesuratnam	1	00	" J. A. Doss	6 00
			Mr. I. D. Ignatius	12 00
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			" Helen Jayaraj	12 00
			" Jayakoil Pillai	10 00
			Mr. John	13 00
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<i>Thanjavur from January, 74 to</i>			Mr. John Wilfred	12 00
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" Annam Ponnusamy	12	00	Mr. Nalluraj	20 00
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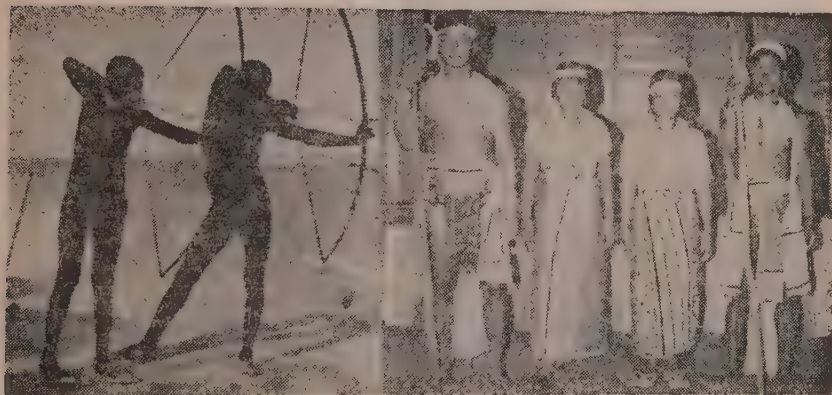
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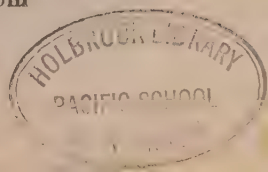


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Nicobaris in their Tribal Dress



The Famous Cellular Jail where freedom
fighters were imprisoned



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Missionary Challenge in the Andamans and Nicobar Islands : (Continuation of the report published in the April, 1975 issue.)

Church and Missionary Work. This Diocese of the Andamans and Nicobar islands was a mission field of the Ex. S. P. G. Mission and later became the missionary field of the Church of India, Burma and Ceylon. As indicated earlier, Port Blair in the Andamans was a Chaplaincy of the Anglican Church providing pastoral care for the military people. It is also the mission field of the Methodist Church in Southern Asia. But, their mission work is confined to the Tamils and they have one ordained presbyter and two deacons. As per the information given by the Bishop of the Andamans, the work among the Tamils had been well-covered by the Methodist Church. The S.P.G. Mission to the tribals, which is now part of the C.N.I. extends a pastoral care towards the Christians among the tribals (Nicobarees) and also the Ex. Anglicans living in these islands.

Apart from the Church of North India (Ex. Anglicans) and Methodists, there are 7 other denominations, who have the churches in these islands. Their work had been mainly pastoral (viz., Roman Catholics, Mar Thomaites, Jacobites, Brethern, Indians and Ceylon Pentecostal, Baptists and Lutheran. Except the Baptists and the Lutherans, who extend their pastoral care for the Karens from Burma and Ranchi people, respectively, in other parts of the island, the Roman Catholics also do the work for people from Ranchi. Around in one hillock in Port Blair alone, there are 5 denominational churches, the Roman Catholics, the C.N.I., the Ceylon Pentecostal, the Mar Thomaites and the Indian Pentecostal. Even though they have co-operation, because of the peculiar situation in these islands, I feel that it is a stumblingblock for the cause of the Gospel.

Missionary work. In addition to the churches, which extend pastoral care to the Christians of their respective denominations, the Mar Thoma Church has an evangelist, who goes out to preach

the Gospel. Someone reported to me that his task was to contact the Malayalees scattered over the islands. The Indian Evangelical Mission maintains two missionaries. The first missionary was sent in 1967. Besides these, there are splinter groups like the Maranathas and the Jehova witnesses. Periodical visits are made by the opportunists teams on the plea of evangelising the island. There are also free lances, who call themselves as Padrees, who draw the Christians from the other Christian folds. On the whole, if we review the missionary work done, as these evangelists cannot visit the tribals, no evangelistic work among the tribal is done. Secondly, except for our periodical excursions to other parts of the island, most of the evangelistic agents stick to Port Blair exposing their differences by their criticism of one another. So, anyone who goes there is led to conclude that though the pastoral care had been done effectively by the established churches, no effective evangelistic work is done. The fact remains that the so-called evangelists changing denominations is itself a witness against their faith and the Christian Gospel work.

The N.M.S. interest in these Islands. Three years ago, Mr. D. S. Jayakumar who was working with the N.M.S. wanted to be relieved to join the Indian Evangelical Mission as he had the burden to evangelise the tribals in the Andaman Islands. We relieved him in consultation with the General Secretary of the I.E.M. He had been in Port Blair for two years. After going over here I found that no evangelistic work could be done among the tribals. When I asked the missionary here about that, he accepted that no work could be done among the tribals because of the tribal laws prohibiting even reaching Nicobarees, who are already christians. But, he said that there are many others from the main land who have settled in other islands among whom the evangelistic work is being done. What is the result? Alas Nil.

So, our Organising Secretary Rev. Jayasingh having been inspired by Mr. Jayakumar's resignation, put forth the challenge before the Tamils of Bombay to help the N.M.S. with resources to send a missionary for the Andamans to which they responded well.

As per principles of the N.M.S., I consulted the Bishop of the Andamans, who after explaining the situation and the missionary work in the Islands said, that the Telugus are still unorganised and that no missionary work is being, done among the Telugus and the N.M.S. could take up the challenge to work among the Telugus. I insisted that I should visit and make a personal study of the need for missionary work among the Telugus.

In the meanwhile, the Rev. J. N. Harris, the D.S. of Bombay of the M.C.S.A. who is also the president of the Tamil N.M.S., branch in Bombay visited the Andamans. He was requested to find out the possibility of starting missionary work among the Telugus, which he faithfully did and reported back to us. On his report and in consultation with the Bishop of Andamans, we decided to make the group of christians who form the Emmanuel Telugu church as a nucleus for our work and their leader Mr. Ch. Asirvadham could be accepted as their evangelist provided that he agreed to go for theological training. To help them to some extent and to complete the church building, which was left incomplete, Mr. Ch. Asirvadham was appointed as an Evangelist on October 1st 1974. Thus, the N.M.S. field in the Andamans was begun.

The Telugu people and the Emmanuel Memorial Telugu Church.

According to Government statistics, there are at present 9,361 Telugu people in this island. All of them are from various parts of Andhra, except for a few repatriates from Burma. Most of them are labourers and skilled labourers working in the P. W. D. and as casual labourers. Very few are literates and they are scattered all over the Andaman group of Islands.

The christians among the Telugu people are mostly from Chittoor. Godavari and Hyderabad districts of the Andhra Pradesh. Three Telugu christians began the worship in the Tamil Methodist Church of Haddow at Port Blair and grew in strength to 15 under the leadership of one Mr. Asirvadham, who later deserted the group with a few members and became the leader of Jehova witnesses. So, the remnants chose one Mr. Ch. Asirvadham, a repatriate from Burma, who could understand and speak English fairly well as their leader. He is the only educated man while others are either semi-literates or illiterates. Under his leadership, the strength grew and they formed themselves as a Telugu Samajam. In due course, they felt the need for a separate worship and purchased a piece of land from public donations and built a worship place in timber at Anarkali Basti, at Port Blair. This congregation numbers though they say 150, I met about 50 in prayer meetings and in worship and they have contributed by their labour and money to construct the church-building, which they call Emmanuel Telugu Church. The whole congregation looks up to Mr. Ch. Asirvadham as an undisputed leader and they worship at the Emmanuel Telugu Church. Mr. Ch. Asirvadham, worked at first in a factory and later took to canteen contracts in the local shops but, he is now without work. He says that he has given himself to develop this church. Regular weekly worship and cottage prayer meetings are held for the christians.

Most of these people belong to the Lutheran, the Baptist and Pentecostal traditions. Having free worship, they sing beautifully, with clapping of hands, which leaves them to grow up spiritually. Bishop M. D. Srinivasan remarked, as he was seated with me in a meeting, "how could they fit in with the Anglican worship, strictly adhering to an order of service." So, he liked the people to develop their religious life in their own traditions with fellowship with other denominations.

The church building. The church building is incomplete without doors, windows and painting to protect the wood from weather. They have done the roofs and the flooring. So, it needs to be completed.

Relationship with the N. M. S. Mr. Ch. Asirvadham has been trying and contacting the other missionary societies and sectarians to get financial help to complete the church building and to maintain his leadership among the christians. This I understood from my conversations with him. I am afraid he could not succeed anywhere. He thought that the N. M. S. was like a foreign missionary society doling out money liberally and that it would accept his conditions. So, in the welcome memorandum presented to me, they demanded Rs. 35,000/- for the construction work and also to arrange for an ordination of Mr. Ch. Asirvadham to be a pastor without undergoing theological training. The above situation will very well make anyone clear that this little group likes the leadership of Mr. Ch. Asirvadham to lead them in their spiritual life. In these circumstances, they are made to think only of the church building and of the christian commitments. So, I was put to the necessity of explaining what is N.M.S. and how it gets its finance and what its objects are, this to some extent disappointed them, but it really made them to understand their responsibility as christians. So, after a series of talks in the church and in the prayer meetings and in private meetings:- (1) they decided to remain independent as a congregation without getting affiliated or united with any other denomination; (2) they expressed their determination to complete the church by their own efforts; and (3) they also decided that in future, they would support their own candidate for theological training; and they would also send an annual contribution to the N.M.S. From the above decisions, I felt that we have to some extent achieved the purpose of the N. M. S.

The need and the future plan. From the foregoing statements, the readers can understand that our previous plan to make this little congregation as a nucleus for the missionary work among the Telugus is not possible at present and as Mr. Ch.

Asirvadham had declined to go for theological training, we could not entertain him any more as a N.M.S. worker. It also makes us feel that this little band of christians need proper instruction and training in the church membership and inspiration for evangelical task from a theologically trained, ordained evangelical man to help them. I combine all the qualities just because still there is hope that this Emmanuel Telugu congregation can develop itself into a nucleus for evangelistic activity and that it needs regular instructions, administration, sacrament of holy communion, baptism, etc., and to make them as an evangelical arm of the Church to these in Islands to work among the Telugus. Hence, I feel that there is dire need for a Telugu-Hindi knowing ordained minister with evangelical vision to be sent there to do evangelical work among the Telugus. As the lingua-franca of the island is Hindi, and if the missionary knows Hindi, he can work among others also.

Secondly, though devoid of some comforts, the missionary must be stationed not in Port Blair, but in the little Andamans. So, I conclude that God may lead us to find out, a proper man for the task with some allowances.

Thirdly, such a missionary has to work under the direction and supervision of the Bishops of the Andamans and Nicobar.

So in conclusion, I feel that there is still an urgent need for missionary work among the Telugus. Who will go? Who will send?

Report from N.M.S. Fields

Muddabihal. Mr. Franklin Bhasme reports :

I visited neighbouring villages, Bidergundi, Huvinhippagi for gospel work. Personal contacts and house visiting are regularly carried on every Sunday and sunday school is conducted.

Organising Secretary Western India. Mr. J. P. Ashwal writes : Toured in the Maharashtra area and returned to Bombay on 21—3—1975 and carried on prayer meetings and fellowship meetings in the suburbs of Bombay and conducted film shows in Vikhroli, Powai, etc.,

Orissa—Puri. The Rev. Paul Sanjeevi writes: I am conducting Sunday services and cottage prayer meetings regularly at Penta-

kotta church. The Rev. K. Mohanty, Mr. Paramanik and the Rev. H. Nonda, Principal of the Baptist College visited the Ashram. On account of the rough weather, poor fishermen are seriously handicapped for want of work. Friends are requested to pray for them and others as they are half-starved and dispersed to other fishing centres. Seethamma of Noliya Sahi (Blind woman) died in April.

Jawhar (Bombay) Daniel F. Palassagar writes : I am regularly conducting Sunday school and by house visiting, make personal contacts with local people and surrounding villages. Three christian families came from Aurangabad and with their cooperation I have started prayer meetings every Sunday. There was recently a local Mela, where I distributed pamphlets and spoke to the crowd.

Bageswar- U.P.- Mr. Bachee Singh writes : As usual I visit the shop keepers and talk to them about the gospel. I also contacted 2 Government Servants. I am having earnest conversations with them. During Easter season, I conducted services and spoke about Christ's sufferings and resurrection to the christians, here.

West Bengal Mr. P. R. Gupta writes : I toured the surrounding villages—Ulluberia, Madarpur, Malligachi and Benogram and conducted Gospel meetings. Held Bible discussion classes and prayer meetings were held in houses. During Easter, services were held. Two youths Messrs Samiron Mondal and Harishankar Mondal are ready to take baptism and they have applied for the same. Members are requested to pray for these men so that their faith may grow.

Butwal—Nepal. Mr. V. T. Abraham. Nepali service and English services are regularly held, I am also conducting prayer meetings in the houses of friends and enquirers surrounding villages or Kanchi Bazaar, Sukkanagar, Barshowda were visited for Gospel work.

Once, we had a talk with an young man, who was an atheist and he was the one who seriously differed from me. There were occasions when he would refuse to listen to my Gospel talk. But, it is very strange that now he came back and witnessed for Christ in one of our prayer meetings. Friends are requested to pray for him.

Uppada-Andhra Pradesh-Mr. G. Roshayya writes : I am regularly conducting Sunday services and prayer meetings in the

houses of our friends. Visited Nellore and conducted services in the Lone Star Church and addressed several N.M.S. meetings. Outdoor preaching was conducted and tracts were distributed. Prayers are requested for Mrs. G. Roshayya, who is yet to recover fully.

Dabra—The Rev. Edwin Sherring reports : Visited Datia, Babina Jhansi and conducted services on Sundays and prayer meetings. Had fellowship meetings and preached in the Babina bus stand, personal contracts with several men were made and Gospel was presented to them. Visited also 3 new villages and addressed a big gathering of 210 people. The men eagerly heard the Gospel including a catholic priest, who also worshipped with us.

North India Organising Secretary—Mr. Paul Singh writes : I attended the U.P.C.C. meeting at Allahabad. Visited also Jubbulpore when I addressed several meetings and took part in the Easter Services in the churches. Visited Sohagpur, Piperia and presented the message of the N.M.S.

Rajasthan—the Rev. S.C.P Tyagi writes : Conducted Easter services in Pushkar. Visited Perbatkar. Dingariya Lobayal Colony and Kadar area. During the month, Rev. N. C. Anthony visited us and we travelled from village to village and preached to the people in their own tongue Rajastani. They listened patiently and the village headman testified that the religion of Jesus was the only true religion. Bible portions were sold. One of the villagers was surprised to know that this new religion of Jesus was as old as 2000 years.

Jawadhi Hills—Nadanur Sri Gnanamuthu writes : Held Easter services in the village. Dispensary building work has been started and is proceeding according to plan with the available materials. 3 men from the plains came up and obstructed the building work. This was only temporary. Let us pray to God that this work may go on unhindered.

Saramma George, a nurse at Nadanur reports that over 200 patients attended. Prayers of friends are requested for them.

Kalyanamandai, Athipet, Jamunamarathur and Thongumalai. In all the above places the workers report that Sunday services especially the Easter Services were regularly held. Night schools are conducted wherever possible. Street preaching was also carried on in places in and around the villages.

PENTECOST 1975.

Message from the Presidents of the World Council of Churches

The Fifth Assembly of the World Council of Churches will meet this year in Nairobi, Kenya, November 23—December 10. Its theme is 'Jesus Christ Frees and Unites'. As Presidents of the World Council of Churches we ask you to pray with us on the Day of Pentecost that the Holy Spirit may lead all of us and our churches in the preparation for this Assembly and during the Assembly itself.

We live in a world where technology is offering freedom from limitations under which men have suffered in the past. But our economic problems, and very especially the fact that millions of people are hungry, demonstrate that we are slaves rather than masters of the material world. We will meet in a continent where in the last fifteen years political freedom has come with great rapidity for many people. But there, as elsewhere, many do not yet enjoy this freedom and are deprived of basic human rights. Similarly we are made aware in innumerable ways of the need of unity for mankind, but we do not seem to be able to overcome the forces making for conflict and war.

What is the meaning of these things? What does Jesus Christ say to us about freedom and unity? These are the questions to which we will be seeking answers.

Jesus promised His disciples that the Spirit would lead them into all the truth. We must be aware of the ways by which the Spirit works. What can we learn from the story of Pentecost?

At the direction of Jesus, the disciples waited in Jerusalem. There were many other important things they might have been doing, but prayer came first.

When the Spirit came upon them, they shared the Good News and did so in words all could understand. They felt impelled to communicate their faith and were given the ability to do it.

The Spirit spoke to them when they were together. They heard Him as a community of believers bound together by word and sacrament. They listened to Him and to one another.

They were led to share their material resources so that none in the Community of believers should go hungry.

The Spirit at times required of them surprising and unpredictable action. They found that through the Spirit the Lord inspired them to act boldly and imaginatively.

There was given to the community of believers the various gifts of the Spirit which enabled them to be effective witnesses at each time and place.

Led by the Spirit, the community succeeded in carrying its witness to Jerusalem, to Judea, to Samaria and to the ends of the earth. The Spirit had prepared the way.

Thus, the very life, witness and service of the community, the Church as the Body of Christ in history, depended and depends on the continual invocation of the Holy Spirit.

In our ministry to a world which seeks freedom and unity, we need the leading of the Spirit. On this day let us covenant together to pray and wait, to listen to the Spirit and to each other, to witness and act as the Spirit directs, and to trust the result to Him who is preparing the way.

A Hymn from the Eastern Orthodox liturgy for Whitsunday.

Come, O people, let us worship the Godhead in Three Persons,
the Son in the Father with the Holy Ghost;

For the Father before all time begat the Son co-eternal and
co-equal,

And the Holy Ghost was glorified in the Father with the Son;

One power, One substance, One Godhead, which we worship,
as we all say:

Holy God, Who did create all things through the Son,
by the working of the Holy Spirit.

Holy and Strong, through Whom we know the Father,
and the Holy Ghost descended into the world.

Holy and Immortal, the Paraclete Spirit, Who proceedeth from
the Father,

and resteth in the Son.

Holy Trinity, glory to Thee.

OBITUARY.

The late Rt. Rev. Appasamy. We regret to inform our readers of the death of the Right Rev. A. J. Appasamy, D.D., D.Phil on 2nd May, 1975 at Palamcottah. He was a great friend of the N. M. S. and a close associate of Sadhu Sundar Singh about whom he has written a memorable biography in collaboration with Canon B. H. Streeter. He was the first bishop in Coimbatore of the Church of South India, a great scholar and in whose death the Indian Christian community has lost a great man. We communicate our sincere condolences to the bereaved family.

Sidhu Biswal of Puri. We are sorry to inform our readers of the sudden and untimely death of Sidhu Biswal at Puri. He was a healed leper and the first convert by the labours of the N.M.S. He was baptised in 1961 and since then he was closely associated with the N.M.S. work at Puri as the watchman-cum-evangelist. He was a sincere worker in the N.M.S. field of Puri and in his death, a void has been created which it is difficult to fill. Our prayers are due to the bereaved family.

Famous Hymns and their authors. 18

Miss Charlette Elliot 1789—1871.

“Just as I am without a plea”—Songs and Solos 475.
Methodist Hymnal 317.

We must remember that many of the famous hymns which have given solace and comfort to battered souls were written not by persons who lived in conditions of sugar and spice and all things nice, but were wrung out of stormy and unlucky lives.

Miss Charlette Elliot was born in 1789 in Clapham-England. At the age of 33, on account of domestic and physical pressures she became an invalid for the next 50 years, till she met her death in 1871. Naturally, she developed a bitter and rebellious spirit questioning the purposes of her life. Just at that time, Dr. Ceaser Malan a noted Swiss Scholar and evangelist paid a visit to her and she enquired about Salvation and asked “How do you become a Christian” The Doctor replied “You pray this prayer. “O God I come to you just as I am” This had sown the needed seed and her mind working at it, she wrote the hymn a few years later. Ever since this hymn has been the favourite

of every crusade. It is reported that Billy Graham while attending a convention organised by Dr. Mordecai Hann was sitting quiet challenged by the message and during the singing of the last verse.—

Just as I am, thou wilt receive
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, receive
Because Thy promise I believe
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

he went to the alter and offered himself for God's service in 1937.

We are sorry to note that many copies are being returned to the N.M.S. office for want of proper address. So friends are requested to give their correct address to the office with Pincode.

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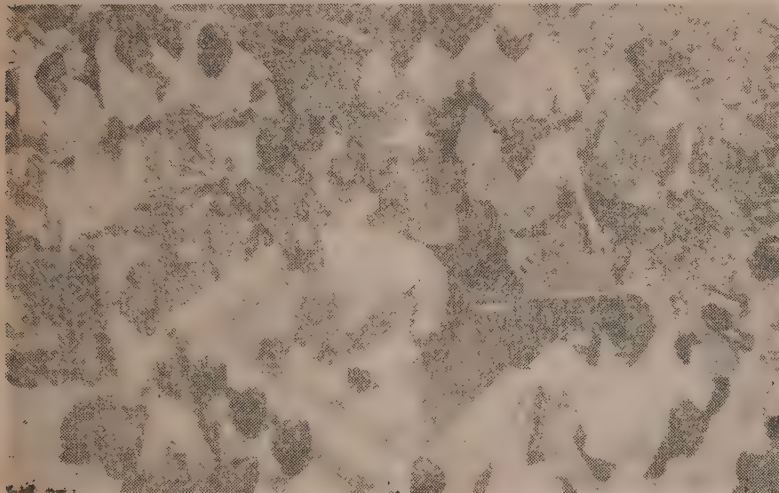
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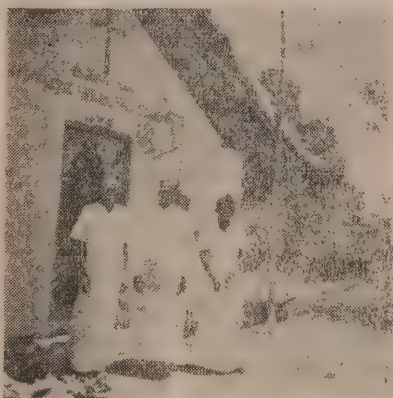
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Rev. D. Elias, baptising Mr. Andi Goundar of
Veerapanoor—Jawadhi Hills



Vice President Mrs. Grace
Sathiaraj with Converts
Andi Goundar and Raman



Rev. D. Elias with Mr. Jacob
Andi Goundar and David
Raman after Baptism

NEWS AND REQUEST FOR PRAYERS

We are happy to report that one of our tribal converts Mr. Jayaraj Samuel after having undergone three years theological course in the South India Bible School, Bangarpet, has been appointed as an evangelist for a new centre, which has to be started in the Trippattur range of the Jawadhi Hills. He is directed to work at present under our experienced evangelist Mr. Gnanamuthu of Nadanoor. Members are requested to pray for him.

We are happy to report that a girl child is born to Mr. & Mrs. James Meyyan, our evangelist in Thongumalai, on their way to Vellore from Thongumalai to be admitted into the hospital. The mother and child were admitted in the Government Hospital, Vellore and they are reported to be safe. We thank God for His abundant mercies to the family and readers' prayers are requested.

News from Nadanoor and appeal

Nadanoor is one of the remote centres in the Jawadhi Hills. The work here is carried on partly with the support of St. John's church, Vellore and partly by the Mar Thoma Church in Bangalore and the rest from the central fund.

The evangelist Mr. Gnanamuthu is staying with his daughter and is doing evangelistic work. The medical work is carried on by the nurse Miss Sarammal George. A team of doctors from St. John's church, visit the centre regularly to help and guide both the evangelistic and medical work.

With the funds provided by St. John's church, a humble thatched dispensary and a worshipping place is under construction we are also building a small nurse's quarters with a special gift received from the Trivandrum branch. The work goes on steadily.

When God's work progresses, Satan also gets active. Some of the local people are getting jealous of the work and are trying to interrupt the same.

We are shocked to hear and to report the following incident. Our evangelist was out to Vellore with his daughter. The nurse was also on her annual leave. During their absence, somebody broke open the door of his house and took away the evangelist's belongings as well as those of the nurse Saramma. It is reported that blankets, provisions and dresses have been stolen. The evangelist and his daughter were left with what they had on themselves. So, the evangelist is much affected and discouraged by this. He needs the prayers of friends as well as some timely help. Those, who are willing to help the workers in Nadanoor, are requested to send their help either in cash or in kind to the headquarters, which will be duly acknowledged and forwarded to them. Their urgent needs are blankets and dress.

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Nurture of Converts

"As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in Him. Rooted and built up in Him, and established in the faith, as ye have been taught....." Collosians 2 : 6-7

Feeding a young tree, by large amounts of fertilizer to promote rapid growth doesn't always produce the best results. Although the foliage becomes full green, the root system neither goes down deep enough nor spreads as far as it should. When a heavy storm comes, the tree may blow over because it is not firmly implanted. An important lesson can be drawn from this. In the Christian life, time is needed for developing a mature believer who can withstand opposition.

A popular entertainer, immediately after his conversion, formed his own evangelistic organization and achieved quick "success". But, he was not spiritually equipped to carry out the burdens of his task. He neglected his family and gradually lost his testimony. Today, he is totally ineffective in his witness. His pastor said of him, *"His branches went out farther than his roots: and when this happens, you eventually topple."*

The apostle Paul, in recommending Timothy to the church at Philippi, referred to his past record of faithful service. He wanted the brethren to know that this young man had learned much through the ups and downs of everyday living (see Philipians 2 : 19-23).

If you are a new Christian, don't be discouraged that you are not occupying some important position in the Lord's work. You may know quite a bit about the Bible and be consistent in your prayer-life, but God may still want to teach you some lessons that can be learned only by experience. There is no shortcut to maturity. *Remember, good rooting takes time.*

(Adapted)

Visiting our Fields at Jawadhi Hills.

Ever since our first visit to the Jawadhi Hills in 1967, we developed a joyous and contagious enthusiasm to visit them once a year and share the good news with the villagers. If nothing else, these visits give a lot of encouragement to our workers.

As usual, we halted at the Thirupattur Ashram on the 19th of Decmber, 1974, for one restful happy day and took part in their Christmas celebrations. The Rev. Elias met us at the Ashram and got us moving immediately for fear of our overstaying at the Ashram. We reached Alangayam around 4.30 p.m. and were waiting for the bus to take us to Jamnamarathur. Mr. Sathyaraj, Bro. Arul Ananda from Bangalore, Bro. Thondaman, and Mr. & Mrs. Victor were also there, after their trip to the hospital at Vaniyambadi for a check up. The Rev. Elias did some marketing, buying some fruits and vegetables for the guests. To our great dismay, we were told that all the buses had gone for servicing and there would be no bus service for the next ten days. The men made some quick decisions—they contacted a man with a bullock cart to take Mathuraboi's baby and me and the luggage, and that they would walk all the 14 miles. The least time we would take would be 6 to 8 hours. Suddenly, a lorry came to our rescue and all the waiting passengers changed for the lorry. Mathuraboi, baby and I were given the special seats next to the driver and all the rest climbed on to the lorry into all available places even on the hood. At the next halt, when the lorry stopped and we had time to breath, the Rev. Elias discovered that his bags with the provisions about Rs. 60/- worth were missing. Personally, I thought that this was a small loss to the great mercy of transportation by the lorry.

The same night we walked the six miles to Veerapanur and conducted the Christmas programme. Bro. Thiraviam, our evangelist there, had trained the children very well and they entertained all of us with songs, Bible verses, a drama and kolattam. The headman of the village has been an ardent believer for some years and we decided that we concede to his request for baptism. It was about 2 a.m. when we walked to our place, we prayed and called it a day and went to bed.

The following day, we divided ourselves into two groups—the men on cycles went to Nadanur and Thongumalai—18 miles away, and the rest of us went walking to Kalyanamanthai and Athipet. At Kalyanamanthai, the owner of the land where the chapel and the evangelist's house are built, has been troubling us

to give back the land. That night after Brother Victor conducted the service, we appealed to the small congregation to pray that God will give us the chapel to continue to worship there. Within a few weeks we were able to come to an agreement with him and hold on to the place. Our God is a prayer answering God. Mr. & Mrs. Victor and Nurse Esther and her teacher's husband Mr. Robertson have done a lot towards strengthening the faith of the people there. The deep faith of Ansi (Andhichi) will, no doubt, serve to bring others to the fold. Ansi, a young mother of three children has learnt to read the Bible and sing, because of the hard work of Sisters Esther and Mathuraboi. At Athipet, Bro. Rajan has done good work with the children Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin are as much our evangelists as the others. They were in charge of the centre at the time when Bro. Rajan had gone on leave, both husband, wife, and their children use their talents and time to serve the Lord. They are of tremendous help to our workers there.

The party on cycles visited Nadanur where Bro. Gnanamuthu works along with Sister Saramma. The evangelist is gifted; he preaches and sings and has the right approach to work among these people. His daughter keeps house for him and is a good helpmate to Saramma.

The following day they visited Thongumalai which is 18 miles from Jamnamarathur. This proved to be a most eventful night in the history of that village. James Meyyan is the evangelist stationed there. That night, they gathered all the villagers there and conducted the Christmas programme and the Gospel message was given. When it was all over and they went inside the house, they heard a big noise and came out to see a number of villagers with sticks and all kinds of weapons, demanding to know where the police people were. The story is this: some bundle of sandalwood were stolen by some villagers, so the people concerned had sent a squad to round up the thieves. About 8 or 10 came in a jeep that evening. The villagers sensed this and came to attack them. After enquiring at the evangelist's home, they went to the Government Rest house, threw stones and succeeded in damaging the jeep and the house. They attacked the men and left them half dead. Many hours later, two of the men who were hiding and unhurt came and borrowed a lantern from James Meyyan and through a short route through the jungle went down to the office at Vellore to report the matter and get help. The following day, the miscreants were rounded up and taken to the station. We wondered at this strange happening on the very night the Christmas celebration was held in that village. James Meyyan lives there with his wife and four

children. It is very difficult to reach this village. It took five days to reach him with the news of his mother's death last October. That night he was asked what he would do, if such things happened when he was alone. The answer he gave is challenging and unforgettable. He said, 'Iyah, God will not let any harm come to us, but if it does happen, what is better than to give my life for the Lord.'

We covered a few more villages in the remaining days. We had a wonderful service on Christmas day and fellowship with all the workers except Meyyan, who was too weak to cycle 18 miles after his attack of flu. We were about 50 people, workers and friends. God did repeat His miracles of feeding 5,000 with five loaves. He blessed three chicken among fifty people. We had a wonderful time of prayer and fellowship. Bro. Arul Ananda, who works for Taftee (The Association for Theological Extension Education) is specially gifted to work among children. He has certain magic methods of preaching the Gospel. He spoke in the language of the children and the boys and girls enjoyed his talks in each village we went to. He gives cheerfully and generously for our trips. In giving his only blanket and jersey to two of our poor workers, he gave his all.

During this time, we planned to make a greater impact by a special effort in April. According to this decision, we went to the Jawadhi Hills, once again on April 25th 1975. This time we held all the meetings at Jamnamarathur. We were thankful for the normal working of the bus service.

On the first day, the closing function of the Vacation Bible School was held. It was children's Rally with nearly three hundred children, wearing crowns with "Christ the coming King" on them. We went in a procession through four villages, stopping at each village, we gave the Gospel message. They prepared food for all these children and the rest of us rice, sambar and rasam. It was a glorious sight to see the poor hungry children in rows thankfully eating the dinner. As we looked at them we remembered the words of Jesus "suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for such is the kingdom of God."

The first night was a children's rally and the children sang songs and said Bible verses. The second night, the workers acted the story of Joseph. It was an excellent performance and everyone enjoyed it very much. The third day, the Gospel message was given. Mr. Samuel Paul of the Asian Screen came with us along with two of his helpers—Moorthy and Paulraj. Each night they showed the films of the life of Christ along with some

entertaining films. Their ministry with us was a great blessing. The villagers thoroughly enjoyed the film shows. Each night the bright-moon came and lighted the whole place and the villagers came with their families and sat in vantage places. A deep satisfaction of our attempt to reach the tribal people with the Gospel came over us, as we saw the hundreds of people.

The highlight of the three—day festival was the baptism on Sunday morning. Andi Thatha, the headman of the village, Veerappanur and a young boy Raman were baptised by the Rev. D. Elias. It was a thrilling moment when Jacob Andi Gounder and David Raman stood in front of the congregation and promised to be witnesses and to stand steadfast in the faith of the Lord Jesus Christ. God's plan for us is to reach all nations with the message of redemption. We do our small part and God will do His, as it is said in Ezekiel 38:23. "I will show my greatness and holiness and make myself known in the eyes of many nations. Then they will know that I am the Lord."

Dear friends of N.M.S. it is a deeply satisfying experience to get actually involved in this work. Let us not be mere spectators or contributors; let us also get involved in the work as much as we can. Let us uphold our workers in prayer, with personal contacts and through letters. Do you realise what it is to live in a far off village where you have to exist with mere rice and dhal?—Where you cannot provide schooling for your children and—when you cannot find a like-minded person to converse with?

Friends living near the N.M.S. fields should go and visit the workers. The N.M.S. was started on Christmas Day, so plan to spend at least one Christmas with them. Paul says "Woe unto me, if I preach not the Gospel." Let us say to ourselves "Woe unto me if I visit not the fields at least once in my lifetime."

Grace Sathya Raj,

Vice-President.

We are happy to report the following :

The Rev. Paul Sanjeevi and the General Secretary baptised 10 adults (4 men and 6 women) in a river at Uppada (Andhra Pradesh) on 6th June, 1975. A complete report concerning the centre, the work carried on there and baptism will appear in a later issue. There is a great opening in this centre by the efforts of Mr. K. Chinna, one of our converts from Puri, who is the pioneer missionary and Pastor Rosaiah and his wife. The little congregation gave the entire collection of Rs. 74.47 to the N.M.S. They also gave a contribution of Rs. 150/-. An open air meeting was held in the near by village called Vakathippa. Friends are kindly requested to pray for the converts and the workers.

2. The Kanyakumari Diocese has released the Rev. D. Elias to work with the N.M.S. in the Jawadhi Hills (N.A. District) for another period of 3 years from April, 1st, 1975 to 31st March, 1978. Prayers are requested for him.

3. Mr. I. Arumainayagam, who was working as a probationer, after completion of his theological course was deputed by the Kanyakumari Diocese Hill-Tribe Missionary Prayer Band to work with the N.M.S. He is stationed at Allery, Jawadhi Hills

4. Mr. Samuel Selwyn, who after finishing his theological course at Yeotmal, has been deputed to work with the N.M.S. at Veerappanur, Jawadhi Hills.

5. M/s Stanley A. C. Nayagam, A. Thiraviam who were working with the N.M.S. have joined Tamil Nadu Theological Seminary. Prayers are requested for them.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Madras Annual Sale of the N.M.S. will be held in the Balar Kalvinilayam, Vepery, on the 15th August, 1975 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. All are invited to participate.

2. The N.M.S. prayer Day. The prayer week of the N.M.S. will be observed from the 6th to 12th October, 1975—the 12th October being the N.M.S. Sunday. All the churches are kindly requested to observe the N.M.S. Sunday. Prayer Calls will be sent to the churches.

AN EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE.

One of our Puri converts, Mr. John Appa Rao told the General Secretary a year ago that when he was a Hindu, unemployed young man, he visited Jeganath Temple frequently and prayed that he should get an appointment. He also approached local fish merchants to give an appointment for a payment of Rs. 60 per month, promising them to do any work assigned to him. But attempts were in vain and the prayers to Lord Jeganath were not answered.

By God's grace he and his wife accepted Christ and from that time he steadily grew in business and prosperity and he was in a position to give employment to others and last year he gave Rs. 200 as a thank offering.

Last month the General Secretary had a trunk call from Mr Appa Rao, by which the General Secretary was informed, that he was remitting Rs 150 as his tithe. When the General Secretary met him in Kakkinada, he gave another Rs. 100 and said that during the month of May he did not have any income. So, he examined himself and felt that he had neglected the National Missionary Society which gave him Christ as well as his prosperity. So, he felt that he should give tithes. Within a few days, he got an income of Rs. 1,500. So he sent Rs. 150. Now the next payment will be continued. This giving is apart from the contribution to the Church.

How true is St. Paul's saying !

"For they gave according to their means.... first they gave themselves to the Lord."

Is this not a matter of thanks giving ?

Is this not an example for us to follow ?

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Mr. S. Chelliah, Thanjavur	12 00
„ Edward Devavaram, Trichy-4	10 00
Mr. L. F. Alexander, Thanjavur	5 00

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Madras City

Emmanuel Method st Church, Vepery	500 00
Headmistress Bain School	67 50
Presbyter, St Mark's Church, Ms	100 00
Thro' Mr. P. C. Arumai- nayagam	292 00
Thro' Mrs. A. Dorairaj	432 00
„ Mr S. F. Jayavelu	56 50
„ „ Thomas Bauliah	117 00
„ „ Colton Samuel	60 00
„ „ E. A. Pitchaipillai	261 50
„ „ G. Alfred Vetharaj	79 00
„ Mrs. Stella Moses	45 00
Thro' Mr. S. S. Samuel	185 00
„ „ Dharmaraj	449 00
„ „ E. Paul Gnana- bharanam	572 00
Thro' Mr. R. Joseph	434 00
„ Mrs. Joy Pandian	91 00
„ Mr. P. C. Mathew	71 00
„ D. K. Paul	70 00
„ J. F. Devaraj	76 50
Mr. M. Jacob Sargunam, Ms-7	15 00
Mr. James Gnanadurai, Ms-84	10 00
Mr. C. D. Thomas Raj, Ms-84	15 00
Mr. R. W. Thyagarajan, Ms-83	12 00
Mr. Barnabas	10 00
„ D. Joseph E. Dhas,	5 00
Rev. Augustine Peters	12 00
Mr. Thomas Philip	10 00
„ S. D. A. Sundararaj	5 00
Dr. A. George	10 00
M/s Paul Das	2 00
„ W. Prakash	2 00
„ S. J. Ponratnam	15 00
„ G. I. Sathiyaraj	20 00
„ G. S. Dawson	12 00
„ E. A. G. Moses	30 00
„ B. Roberts	6 00
Rev. V. M. Thomas	10 00
„ rs. Pauline Frederick	6 00
Mr. A. George Samuel	3 00
Mrs. A. Anthony	3 00
Mr. H. J. Dawson	3 00
Mrs. Mabel Joseph	3 00
„ Charles Martin	3 00
Mr. C. J. Santhappa	2 00
„ Jeromo Singh	1 00
„ J. R. Samuel	10 00
„ Stephen Jayapaul	3 00
„ Henry Thomas	100 00

„ E. Lazarus	4 00
„ R. E. Chandran	100 00
Dr. Jayapaul Azariah	20 00
Mr. Mary Chandu	101 00
„ E. Paul Gnanabharanam	10 00
Dr. Christdas	20 00
Mr. C. Livingstone	10 00
Rev Thomas	25 00
Mr. Paul Joseph	12 00
Mrs. Vizaya Doraisingh	12 00
Mr S. Martin	25 00
„ E. C. P. Prabhakar	5 00
Mrs. Sugumar Ponratnam	15 00
Rev S. J. C. Baynes	15 00
Mr. Jayaratnam	10 00
„ M. Jacob Sargunam	15 00
„ James Gnanadurai	10 00
„ C. D. Thomas Raj	15 00
„ R. W. Thiagarajan	12 00
„ Barnabas	10 00
„ D. Joseph E. Dhas	5 00

4,748 00

Special Receipts

Bihar Work :

Dindigul Branch	500 00
Mr. Premia, Madras	100 00
Thro' Miss A. Thomas, Calicut	100 00
	700 00

Jawadhi Work ;

Mr. M. C. Amanna, Udipi	20 00
Rev J. Balasingh, Kulathur	10 00
	30 00

Puri Work :

Mr. L. K. Singh, Puri Dt.	15 00
	15 00

Tribal Students Scholarship :

Mr J. S. Premkumar, Ranipet	50 00
Mrs. H Jacob, Kerala	20 00
Mr. P. S. Rajaratnam	1000 00

1,070 00

Life Membership fee :

M/ M. M. Selvakumar, Madras-30	100 00
M/s Rajakumar, Ms-30	100 00
„ Koilpitchai John	100 00
„ A. G. Joseph, Calcutta	100 00
„ John Abraham, Thanjavur	100 00
	500 00

Birth Day Gifts :

Mr. Manoharan Dason, Arkonam	5 00
Mr J. A. Roberts, Calcutta	10 00
„ J. J. Jayaseelan, Ms	20 00
	35 00

Subscription received for the
months of February, March '75

M. P.

Thro' Mrs. K. Samson, Salamatpura	
Mrs. John Selyo	1 00
„ P. T. Lall	1 00
„ G. Mathews	2 00
„ S. S. Lall	1 00
„ K. Sheriyo	2 00
„ M. Robinson	2 00
„ C. Das	1 00
„ V. Lal	0 50
„ A. Ram	0 50
„ L. Bhagirath	0 50
„ E. Victor	1 00
„ K. Kenswer	5 00
„ S. Jacob	1 00
Miss K. Karesa	1 00
Mr. A. Joshua	1 00
„ James Keshav	
„ Balachander	9 00
„ E. Nathaniel	1 00
Mrs. T. Singh	2 00
Mr. Gulzar Masih	
„ Premdas	
„ Yusuf Masih	1 00
Mrs. Ida-Bai	1 00
B. P. Lal	1 00
Mr. Santhosh Michel	
Mrs. K. Samson	1 00
Monthly meeting Sohagpur	
	36 25

Thro' Mrs. M. Nethan	
Mrs Nethan	5 00
Mid India Christian Services,	
Damoh	10 00
Mr S K. Ariel	1 00
„ I. Prasad	5 00
Smt. L R. William	1 00
Mrs Shanthi Charles	0 50
Mr. J Jaroli	5 00
Maxwell Solomon	1 00
Mr & Mrs J Henry	5 00
Mrs Prema David	1 00
G. Ram	2 00
Mr J S Ram	5 00
Nil Kamal Lall	1 00
Mr. R Spencer	2 00
Mr. & Mrs Arthur Jacob	2 00
„ Henry Emmanuel	5 00
	51 50

Thro' Mrs. Uttam Singh	
Samuel, Chindwara	
Mr. J. Prakash	25 00
„ U. Kumar	5 00
„ M Biswas	5 00
„ L M Lall	5 00
„ W. T. Lall	5 00
„ S A. Brown	5 00
Mrs M. David	5 00
Mr. A. K Samuel	2 00
„ U S Samuel	5 00
„ P. K Sarup	5 00
„ Moris Martin	2 00
„ Arun Kumar David	2 00
„ Arun Kumar Banker	1 00
	72 00

U. P. :

Thro' Mr. Paul Singh	
M/s Robert S. Singh,	
Allahabad	20 00
F G Cutting, Allahabad	5 00
Rev. W. P. Samuel	5 00
Mr. Robert Samuel	2 00
„ R. D. Camp	10 00
„ E D. Dass	5 00
Mrs. M A Singh	5 00
Matren & Nursing Staff,	
Kamala Hospital	40 00
Pastor S. L. John, Lakhimpur	50 00
	142 00

South Tamil Area

Mr. P. V, Mathew, Coonoor	60 00
	60 00

Nellore N. M. S. Branch
subscribers for 74-75.

Miss B. H Suseelamma	10 00
„ M. Richard Ramanjulu	5 00
„ J. J. Devamani	20 00
„ B David	2 00
„ P. Elizabeth	1 00
„ Gudipathi Johanna	1 00
Mrs Vimala Nehemaiah	2 00
Miss K. S Chinnamma	1 00
Dr. E. Jacob	10 00
Mr. Moody	1 00
Miss Esther	1 75
Mrs. Luke	2 00
Miss K. N. Sosamma	2 00
Mrs. Krupa Rao	5 00
Mr. P Moses	5 00
Dr Samuel	5 00
Mr. V. M. Paul	1 00
Miss M. Dorathy	5 00
Mrs. B. Jexamin	2 00
Mr. Anand Rao	2 00
Miss Ethel Theray	5 00
A B M Hospital	25 00
Miss Kamala Baiamma	5 00
Mrs Prameela Tullah	2 00
Mr N Veeraswamy	2 00
Miss Bandili Jayaseela	1 00
„ A. E Pushpamma	2 00
Mrs. D. Tullah	2 00
Dr. Vijavamma	10 00
Mr Sam Jack	10 00
Mrs Mercy Israel	2 00
„ Sarojini Kennard	10 00
Miss B H. Sugunamma	5 00
N M.S. Carol Party	18 00
Miss B. H Suseelamma	5 00
Mr. D N Prasad & family	5 00
Lone Star Tel Bapt. Church	20 30
Mr. B. C. Benjamin	10 00
Mrs. I. Panakajamma	10 00
„ Pushpamma	10 00
L.S Tel. Bapt Church	
N M S. Sunday donations	33 75
Downie Hall English service,	
N M S. Sunday	60 00
P. Elizabeth	1 00
I. Chandraleela	1 00
Ch. Jayamma	1 00

Licence No. 23. Licenced to post without pre-payment

T. Deevanamma	1 00	„ T Lalitha	1 00
Mrs. Nellie	1 00	„ K Lydia	1 00
Miss Krupamma	1 00	„ R Jeevarathnam	1 00
„ B. J. Suguna	1 00	„ T. M Rebecca	1 00
„ P. Lalitha	1 00	„ M. Lucy	1 00
„ K. M. Devakamma	1 00	„ Jolly Mathew	1 00
„ P. Hemalatha	1 00	„ G. Nirmala	1 00
„ N. Katakshamma	1 00	Sister Ethel Tharay	10 00
„ A. Achamma	1 00	Miss Lillycutty	1 00
„ M. S. Prema	1 00	Mrs. Souri Kamalamma	10 00
„ K. D. Mary	1 00	Miss B. H. Sugunamma	10 00
„ N. Leelayathy	1 00	Mr. P. Sadhu Samuel	10 00
„ D. Sarojini	1 00	„ I. J. Devamani	20 00
„ V. Suseela	1 00		
„ G. Soundaryam	1 00		428 80
„ K. Chudamani	1 00		

Out of the sum of Rs. 428,80 listed above Rs. 200/- was received before 1-4-75.

Field Receipts :

Through Rev. Jayasingh		„ Anil Kumar Jacob	10 00
Christ Church, Golden Rock,		Mr. N. P. Masih	10 00
Trichy	5 00	Mr. & Mrs. Benji Masih	8 00
Christ Church, Fort, Trichy	3 00	„ „ M. B. Lall	2 00
T E L C., Thanjavur	10 00	„ „ Hardwin Spencer	4 00
Mr. & Mrs. Joshua,		„ „ Yaqub Masih	4 00
Parusuvaikkal	25 00	„ „ H. H. Singh	4 00
Rev. Jayasingh	10 00	Miss Sharily Chawhan	4 00
The Jayankondam Pastorate	15 00	Mr. Benjamin Masih	4 00
Jawadhi Hills	186 00	Mr. & Mrs. Hamilton Sherring	2 00
Muddebihal	42 15	„ „ Sagagile	3 00
Bageshwar	10 00	„ „ Job	2 00
Rajasthan	2 00	„ „ Philip Mangi	1 00
Uppada	10 00	„ „ J. Victor	2 00
Isapanthy Ashram	237 73		
Thro' Rev. Edwin Sherring			
Rev. Edwin Sherring	10 00		635 88
Mr. & Mrs. D. V. Hoffman	10 00		

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EDITORIAL

We are happy to release this issue as a special issue of the Madras City Area Committee. We are happy to note that the Area Committee has steadily grown in strength and activity from year to year and to become the chief among the Area Committees. The article by Mr. G. Solomon, who is a live-wire and founder of the Area Committee traces the development of the Area Committee, which really shows the development in the last 17 years through the untiring effort of the officers, conveners and members of the Area Committee. 10 years ago, when the present General Secretary, took charge, the annual collection from Madras City was only Rs. 7,000/- During the year 1974-75, the total collection of the Area Committee was Rs. 35,862-64 against Rs. 25,000 anticipated income. In the annual sale which was Rs. 3,000/- had increased to Rs. 10,153. The members in the City has also increased from a few hundreds to 1050. These developments are due to the prayer, concern and the ceaseless effort of every member of the Committee, during the whole year. The leadership is also in the hands of very good church members, who are also actively involved in their own church activities and spiritually minded to develop the Committee into a spiritual fellowship. So, the strength of the present Area Committee rests not only in the members' efforts, but also in the Lord whom they worship and whom they serve.

10 years ago, the sale was the work of the N.M.S. Ladies' Auxiliary of the Madras City. After three years, it became defunct. Men took the lead and solely developed it into an Area Committee affair. Last year, we felt that there was a necessity to revive the Ladies' Auxiliary and this was revived which also contributed to the increased income in the sale held last year.

This year, as a result of many friends' suggestion that the sale should be held on a holiday, the Area Committee and the Ladies' Auxiliary have decided to have the annual sale on the 15th August, the Independence day, and also to be a full-day sale from 10 a.m. to 7-30 p.m. This is also another step forward to increase the financial support to the Society by the Area Committee.

Hence, we, not only thank God for this progress and but also all the officers, members, conveners, etc. of both Madras City Area Committee and the Ladies' Auxiliary. We also congratulate them on their success.

This issue of the Madras Area Committee is just to help the other Area Committees to develop themselves into effective bodies taking steps that would be relevant to their own areas. We also thank all the contributors in the Madras City Area Committee for their generous contribution.

"For those who love Him, for those who called in agreement with His purpose, God makes all things work together for good." Rom. 8:28 Berkley.

A brief history of the Madras City Area Committee

By Mr. G. Solomon, M. A.

Retired General Secretary of the Madras Y.M.C.A.

Developing the work of the N.M.S. in the City of Madras and infusing a spirit of evangelism in the minds of Indian Christians in the City were the burdens of several friends of the N.M.S. This urge took shape and attained fruition about 16 years ago, when myself, M/s Late N.S. Hensman, late Mr. V.W. Philip, late Mr. Rajah Samidoss and M/s P. S. Rajaratnam, C. P. Michael, K. C. Jacob, Kanakaraj and others met at the N.M.S. House, Royapettah and discussed about our plan of work. Our aim was not only to raise money but chiefly to interest the Indian Christians in the task of evangelising India by prayer, cooperation and concern. The members divided themselves in twos and threes and started house to house visiting. I and Dr. Hensman visited the George Town area on campaign work. The response was liberal and our efforts encouraging. After a few days we met again in N.M.S. House and on comparing our notes, great was our joy. The members so met formed the first City Area Committee in consonance with the relevant para in the N.M.S. Constitution pointed out by the then General Secretary, Mr. Mark Sundara Rao. The following office bearers were immediately elected:—

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| 1. President | — | Mr. C. P. Michael, |
| 2. Vice-President | — | Mr. G. Solomon, |
| 3. Hon. Secretary | — | Mr. Bankea. |

The Committee met every month and reviewed the oral reports of the work done by the members during the month. Stress was laid on the importance of holding prayer meetings and the collection of money was secondary.

The work of the City Area Committee expanded with fresh enthusiasm showed by the members in general and the Indian Christian public in particular. Branches were formed in several suburbs with conveners for every branch who not only collected subscriptions but arranged prayer meetings in their respective areas. The minimum subscription raised was 4 as. a month while many liberally paid Rs. 5/- & Rs. 10/- The work of the Committee and the Society waxed apace and soon the Committee arranged retreats for Christians, annual sale camps, get-together and evangelistic meetings.

During these 16 years, many prominent Christians gave their leadership for the development of the N.M.S. work in the City. Prominent among them being Mr. J. Samuel, Advocate, Mr. F. J. B. David, Mr. W. L. Masilamony, Mr. Raja J. Swamidoss, Mr. M. D. Selvaraj, Mr. T. Chelliah, Mr. P. C. Arumainayagam, Mr. D. S. Inbaraj, Mr. J. Colton Samuel, Mr. V. G. Williams, etc.

At present there are 24 branches, in the City with a total membership of 1050. The amount raised in 1965-66 was Rs. 14,894.22 while that raised in 1974-75 is Rs. 35,862-64. The total All India Budget for 1975-76 is Rs. 1,75,864.

“Not unto us O Lord, Not unto us; but unto Thee be honour & glory, Amen.”

The National Missionary Society Of India

Madras City Area Committee

Reports for the year 1974-'75

With grateful heart to our Lord, who has engaged the Area Committee as a participant in His great mission of winning souls, we report the following :—

It is encouraging to note that the Madras City Area Committee from its very inception in 1958, has slowly and steadily increased in its activities and strength to be one of the firm-major support-

ers of the National Missionary Society by raising 1/3 of its ever increasing annual budget amount.

The Committee consists of 34 members, most of them are conveners, who are very good church members taking active part in the church matters and are under the burden to enable the Society to preach the Gospel in un-reached places. Annually, they elect a President, 4 Vice-Presidents, an Hony. Secretary and an Hony. Treasurer. The Committee meets regularly every month on the 2nd Monday to pray for the missionary work, not only of the N.M.S., but also of the other societies and to plan the activities of the Area Committee for the month.

The Area Committee has 24 BRANCHES with 1050 members within the City with CONVENERS for each. They are the real back-bones of the City N.M.S. It is their responsibility to convene prayer meetings and to collect or arrange to collect subscriptions in their respective areas.

The Area Committee apart from its regular activity conducts seven SUNDAY SCHOOLS to the Hindu Children and the convener of that area is responsible for the Sunday School. During Christmas, the Committee arranges special functions for Sunday Schools. Children sing songs, recite Bible verses and enact Christmas dramas. In appreciation of their progress in Christian knowledge, gifts are given to them.

The Committee conducts an ANNUAL SALE on the second Saturday of August of every year. This year, the Ladies' Auxiliary, which was revived also took part in the sale. Mr. Justice C. J. R. Paul, High Court Judge, presided on the occasion and Dr. Mrs. L. Thambiah declared open the sale. The Committee was able to realise Rs. 10,580/- through the sale. Though it looked that the rain would mar the function, by God's good grace, the rain stopped and we had a very fine sale. We are grateful to all the friends who contributed liberally both in cash and in kind towards the sale.

During the month of October, the Area Committee in accordance with the plan of the National Missionary Society observed N.M.S. WEEK OF PRAYER from 7th to 13th and the 13th Sunday was observed as N. M. S. Sunday. As we had our Triennial All India Conference at Bangalore from 10th to 13th some of us took part in that observance. But, as usual, prayer meetings were arranged in different branches and some of the churches observed N.M.S. Sunday. We are grateful to the presbyters for their kind co-operation. In the Triennial Conference

at Bangalore, we had every evening a missionary meeting in St. John's Church and on 13th Sunday, all Churches in Bangalore had the N.M.S. preachers, who told about the N.M.S. activities to the people.

For the last two years, we had a very successful and spiritual uplifting in ONE DAY RETREAT on N.M.S. Sunday. This year, we had one retreat, not on N.M.S. Sunday, but on 17th November, 1974 at St. Paul's High School, Vepery, Madras. The main speakers were Rev. G. S. Mohan of the Tamil Methodist Church and Rev. Dhanaraj of the T.E.L.C., who gave inspiring messages. The General Secretary, Rev. K.G.S. Dorairaj and the Organising Secretary, Rev. J. M. Jayasingh gave detailed reports about the N.M.S. work. This retreat was not only inspiring to us but gave a push to the Area Committee members.

As usual, we celebrated our ANNUAL GET-TO-GETHER SOCIAL FUNCTION for the supporters and their families on the 14th January, 1975, in the Bentink Girls' High School premises in Vepery. About 450 people attended the same. Our Chief guests for the function were Mr. & Mrs. J. I. Coilpillai. Mr. J. I. Coilpillai is the president of the Indian Missionary Society. This shows the close co-operation between the two sister Societies. We were happy to have Mr. & Mrs. Gladston Abraham, who are in U.S.A. with us on that day. Mrs. Abraham had served the Society in different capacities.

As it was a practice for some years, the MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN was inaugurated by Mr. G. Solomon during the Get-to-gether function with a slogan of "EACH ONE REACH ONE". We have secured 286 new members.

We had a CONVENERS, CONFERENCE on the 16th March in the N.M.S. House. About 30 members were present. Mr. G. Solomon spoke about the responsibility of the Committee members and the conveners and pointed out that what they should do for the extension and growth of the N.M.S. work in this City. Mr V. G. Williams, Hony Secretary of the Area Committee, spoke about the evangelistic work done by the Area Committee.

A questionnaire containing 20 points were given to the members and discussions were held based on these points. This Conference was very helpful and gave us a new vision to carry out our responsibility.

The budgeted INCOME for the year 74-75 was Rs. 25,000/- against which the Committee has succeeded in raising to Rs.

35,409. For the year 1975-76 anticipated income is Rs. 40,000/- We are happy about the increase. We think that every convener would do his or her part to help the Society by achieving that income

So, finally, we the officers of the City Area Committee thank God first for His guidance and blessings during this year in the Area Committee activities. We also thank every member of the Committee for the untiring effort to get the N.M.S. active in fulfilling the mission entrusted to the Society.

In conclusion, on behalf of the members of the Area Committee, an appeal was made to every Christian in the City to be a participant as the Macdonian Churches were **by their prayer, contribution and active participation**. Though the Society has more than a lakh of Christians in the City, only about 1200 members are taking part. It is the duty of every Christian to be an active participant in the evangelistic task of this country by their prayer and support to the Society.

M. D. Selvaraj,
President.

V. G. Williams,
Hon. Secretary.

J. Colton Samuel,
Hon. Treasurer.

The following are the office bearers and members of the Area Committee and the Ladies' Auxiliary Committee, 1975-76.

Area Committee

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|---------------------------|--|
| 1. President : | Mr. M. D. Selvaraj |
| 2. Vice-presidents : | 1. Mr. T. Chelliah |
| | 2. „ J. F. Devaraj |
| | 3. „ E. Lazarus |
| | 4. „ J. Colton Samuel |
| 3. Hony. Secretary : | Mr. V. G. Williams |
| 4. Hony. Treasurer : | Mr. G. Thomas Baliah |
| 5. Development Officers : | 1. Mr. P. C. Arumainayagam,
(North) |
| | 2. Mr. G. D. Williams (South) |
| 6. Committee Members : | 1. Rev. R. Duraiappa, |
| | 2. Mr. G. Devaraj, |
| | 3. „ S. J. Duraiswamy, |

4. Mr. S. W. Kanagaraj
5. „ Paul Gnanabaranam
6. „ S. Robinson,
7. „ Raja Singh Sathya,
8. „ T. A. Timothy,
9. „ G. Solomon,
10. „ Egnatius Absalom,
11. „ D. Monsingh,
12. Miss Vijaya Swamidoss

Ladies' Auxiliary Committee

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| 1. President :— | Mrs. P. Gnanam. |
| 2. Vice-President : | „ Aruna Dorairaj |
| 3. Hony. Secretary : | „ Leela Cyrilraj |
| 4. Joint Secretary : | „ Bright |
| 5. Hony. Treasurer : | „ Sakunthala Rajasekaran. |
| 6. Ex-Officio members : | 1. Rev. K. G. S. Dorairaj,
(General Secretary) |
| | 2. Mr. J. Cyrilraj Hony. Assistant
General Secretary |

Conveners

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|----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Annanagar | Mr. Thomas Baliah |
| 2. Royapettah | Mrs. Aruna Dorairaj |
| 3. Adayar & Santhome | Mr. M. Manoharan |
| 4. Royapuram | „ J. Owne |
| 5. Egmore | Mrs. Gnanadoss |
| 6. I. C. S. | „ B. C. Gandhi |
| 7. Saidapet | „ Kesari |
| 8. Washermanpet | „ S. Moses |
| 9. Perambur | Mr. S. F. Jayavelu |
| 10. Thangal | Mr. D. K. Paul |
| 11. Vepery (1) | „ M. R. Paramanandam |
| 12. Vepery (2) | „ Y. M. D. Dhanaraj |
| 13. Vepery (3) | „ Alfred Vedaraj |
| 14. Ayanavaram | „ E. A. Pitchaipillai |
| 15. Kilpauk | „ S. S. Samuel |
| 16. George Town | „ P. C. Mathew |
| 17. Villivakkam | „ E. J. Williams |
| 18. Nandanam | „ Arumainayagam |
| 19. Shenoyanagar | „ K. C. Kurian |

20. Triplicane	
21. Mylapore	Mrs. Ponnammal Samuel
22. T. Nagar	Mr. Chandran Jayapal
23. Tambaram	„ Daniel Livingstone

The National Missionary Society of India

Madras City Ladies' Auxiliary.

The Madras City Ladies' Auxiliary had been one of the oldest firm supporters of the Society. It was founded long before the Madras City Area Committee was formed and the leading families, such as Hensmens, Appasamys, Thambiahs and many others, were greatly involved in the activities of the Auxiliary. They raised enough funds to support the Puram Project having schools, boarding schools, a medical centre and evangelistic work concentrating specially on Jayapuram and Chandrapuram in Tirupattur, North Arcot Dt. Famous persons like Missionary Miss Jayamani Tailor, Mrs. Chellasamy and others worked in the centre. The chief among the Ladies' Auxiliary activities was the conduct of the Annual Sale. It was reported that they had sale for three consecutive days getting things from all over India.

Later, when some of the old leaders passed away, it was very hard to find substitutes with real call, and zeal and so, it slowly became defunct and merged with the City Area Committee. But all along we felt that there was need for the Ladies' Auxiliary. So, last year, a meeting of the ladies was called on 4-5-1974 and they agreed to revive the Auxiliary. The following members were elected as Officers:—

Patron	Dr. Mrs. L. Thambiah
President :	Mrs. Gnanam.
Vice Presidents :	Mrs. N. Roberts & Mrs. Arunadorairaj
Secretary :	Mrs. Leela Cyrilraj
Joint Secretary :	Mrs. Bright
Treasurer :	Mrs. Sakunthala Rajasekaran

and a lady from each Area. They met together occasionally, and discussed about the work of the Auxiliary. It was proposed

to meet in different places of the City to inspire the ladies of that locality to be active participants in the Auxiliary activities. They had meetings at Shenoyanagar and at Royapuram. They were well attended and the ladies volunteered to give active support to the Auxiliary.

Now, we are glad to say that the members of the Auxiliary are taking steps to run a stall in 1975 in cooperation with the Area Committee. We hope that the Ladies Auxiliary will grow from strength to strength to retain their old place of reputation in the N.M.S. and their sincere efforts will bear fruits. On behalf of the general N.M.S. we thank all the officers of the Ladies' Auxiliary for their very sincere efforts.

OBITUARY

Late Mrs. L. G. Solomon, M.A.

We regret to report the death of Mrs. Lizzie Grace Solomon on the 8th June 1975, after a brief period of illness. Along with her husband Rao Sahib G. Solomon, M. A. Retd., General Secretary of the Madras Y.M.C.A., she was an active member of the Madras City N.M.S. workers. In the last year, Madras City N.M.S. Sale, she organised a stall called "OUR STALL". She was also a life-member of the N.M.S. We offer our sincere condolences to the bereaved members of her family.

Late Dr. Mrs. L. P. Gnaniah.

We regret to report the death of Dr. Mrs. L. P. Gnaniah, at Dindigul on 8th June 1975. She had been a keen supporter of the N.M.S. for the past several years. We convey to the bereaved members of her family our heart-felt condolences.

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Income received from 1-4-75 to 30-6-75

	Proposed Anticipated Income for 75-76	Income from 1-4-75 to 30-6-75
1. Punjab	200 00	
2. Uttar Pradesh	9,000 00	2,412 00
3. Delhi	5,000 00	308 00
4. Bengal	3,500 00	120 00
5. Assam	1,050 00	
6. Bihar	1,000 00	95 00
7. Orissa	1,500 00	300 00
8. Rajasthan	1,000 00	
9. Maharashtra	9,000 00	1,463 45
10. Gujarat	750 00	
11. Madhya Pradesh	4,000 00	471 52
12. Andhra Pradesh	3,000 00	566 86
13. Kerala	7,000 00	1,228 00
14. Karnataka	8,000 00	1,837 00
15. Madras City	40,000 00	7,358 75
16. North Tamil Area	10,000 00	1,434 54
17. South Tamil Area	14,000 00	2,676 60
18. Birth Day Gifts	300 00	40 00
19. Interest	4 000 00	2,078 03
20. Field Receipts	6,500 00	886 86
21. Miscellaneous	5,000 00	1,003 00
22. Project Support		
a) Thana	2,430 00	657 80
b) Muddebihal	3,264 60	881 80
c) Andaman	5,000 00	
d) K.K.P.B.	19,370 00	
e) Bihar	3,000 00	950 00
Total	1,66,864 00	26,769 21

Besides these collections, contributions received for the financial year 74-75 during this quarter are as follows:

Bengal	500 00
Delhi	777 00
K.K.P.B.	1,346 00
	<u>2,623 02</u>

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Madras City Area Committee

Gross Sale Income for the year 1974-75

Thro' Treasurer, Madras City		
Area Committee (Mr. J. Colton Samuel)	4,622	56
Thro' Mr. M. D. Selvaraj	1,030	00
„ Mrs. A. Dorairaj	900	00
„ Dr. Mrs. L. Thambiah	825	00
„ Mrs. Bright	463	00
„ Mr. & Mrs. E. Paul Gnanabharanam	455	00
„ Mrs. P. S. Gnanam	210	00
„ Mrs. L. Cyril Raj	177	00
„ Mrs. Joy Pandian	173	00
„ Mr. G. Solomon	166	00
„ Mrs. C. P. Michael	162	00
„ Mrs. N. Roberts	150	00
„ Mr. D. K. Paul	109	00
„ Mrs. F. S. Rajasekaran	109	00
Mr. Vincent Paul	105	00
Thro' Mr. Thomas Jayaraj	102	00
Mr. & Mrs. J. G. Abraham	100	00
Mr. G. Isaac Sathiaraj	50	00
Thro' Mrs. Thangam Pandiyan	48	00
„ Mr. Thomas Raj	46	00
Miss C. P. Hansman	30	00
Col. Paul	25	00
Mr. R. J. Christian	25	00
Thro' Mrs. U. Muthiah	25	00
„ Mr. E. A. Pitchaipillai	15	00
Rev. D. I. Vethanayagam	11	00
Miss D. Bakkiam	10	00
Mr. C. S. Appasamy	5	00
Mr. E. Lazarus	5	00
Total	10,153	56

Madras City Area Committee

Income received during the year 1974-75.

April '74—March '75

Thro' M/s R. Joseph	2,103	25
„ Dharmaraj	2,716	50
„ Mrs. A. Kesari	66	00
„ Mr. J. F. Davaraj	644	20
„ Mr. S. F. Jayavelu	320	00
„ Mrs. Stella Moses	489	50
„ Mr. E. Paul Gnanabharnam	4,232	00
„ Mr. E. A. Pitchaipillai	1,577	00
„ Mr. S. S. Samuel	1,923	00
„ Mr. G. Alfred Vetharaj	465	50
„ „ D. Monsingh	499	25
„ „ Ernest Muthiah	924	00
„ „ Thomas Bauliah	796	00
„ Mrs. A. Dorairaj	1,700	00
„ Mr. G. Solomon	73	06
„ Mrs. Joy Pandyan	376	00
„ Mr. P. C. Arumainayagam	69	00
	19,274	20
City Churches	2,626	58
Individuals	3,632	50
Gross Sale Income	10,153	56
Gross Get-to-gether Income	175	80
Gross Income	35,862	64

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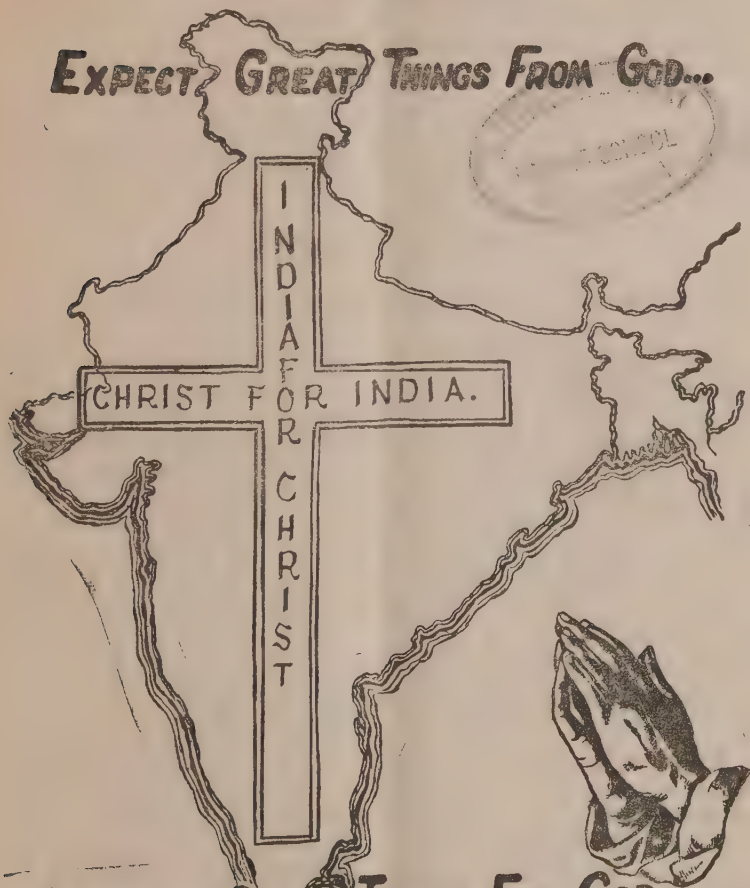
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N. M. S. Week of Prayer

Oct. 6th to 12th, 1975

N. M. S. Sunday, 12th October 1975

EXPECT GREAT THINGS FROM GOD...



ATTEMPT GREAT THINGS FOR GOD...

Continue in prayer watch in the
same with thanksgiving Col. 4: 2.

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The National Missionary Society of India Call to Prayer, 1975.

by

Bishop R. D. Joshi,

Bombay Episcopal Area, Methodist Church in Southern Asia
and President, the N. M. S.,

October 6—12, 1975.

N. M. S. SUNDAY, October 12th, 1975.

The Call to Prayer for the National Missionary Society comes to us again. If this call evokes in us a response only once a year with no concern for the rest of the year for the work in which the N.M.S. is engaged, the week's celebration will not amount to much. However, if this is a perennial concern with us, the N.M.S. Week of Prayer will become a climax to our ceaseless prayer and concern for the work, a truly hill-top experience.

Indeed this is what the N.M.S. Week of Prayer is meant to be a celebration which dramatises annually the story of our continuous involvement in the work of the Lord. It should provide us with an opportunity to examine the depth of our concern for evangelism, to lift up our hearts in thanks to God for His blessings upon our work, and to draw strength and inspiration which come from shared tasks and united prayers and intercessions.

Evangelism is in eclipse today. All the talk about revival and renewal is really a call to greater preoccupation of the churches with themselves. Evangelism, for many, means merely *a return to God* instead of a clarion call *to go forward to meet their God*. The God of our Lord Jesus Christ will not allow us to turn back and build for ourselves a small paradise where we can live in peace and security. The Lord is always ahead of us, beckoning us to join him and giving us strength and courage to face the hazards of a new day.

This was my message to our churches in Scandinavia which I visited in May 5-20, 1975 on assignment by the Council of Bishops of United Methodism. I travelled through Denmark, Norway, Finland and Sweden. Wherever I went I found a tremendous preoccupation of the churches with themselves. In their struggle for their very life against the rising tides of irreligion, secularism and sensualism they are beginning to exhibit characteristics of Jesus People or other forms of sick religion.

Introversion and greater preoccupation with the inservice activities of the church are not going to bring about renewal. For the renewal of the church what is needed today is not more worship, more education, more revival meetings, more and more money. To be sure, some of these are needed; but they cannot be priorities of a church in mission. What is more urgently needed is more risk-taking, more faith, more action, more people committed to mission in His name. This is the only kind of soil in which the Gospel can flourish. This is the only hope for the renewal of the Church in our day.

The N.M.S. represents the missionary frontier of the churches. To be sure, most of the churches in India have their own home mission and even some foreign mission projects, indigenously supported or subsidized with outside funds. But these are, no matter how we may describe them, denominational concerns and lack the inner strength of united witness and service. A purely denominational concern or activity tends to turn upon itself.

The N.M.S. draws the churches together in united witness and thus makes them more effective for mission. The N.M.S. Week of Prayer is a call to the churches to rediscover their evangelistic task, to join in a common search for new frontiers of mission, and to pool their resources under a national structure for the larger concerns of the Gospel.

The N.M.S. is not only concerned with the occupation of unevangelized regions. It seeks to help the churches to discern new frontiers of missionary concern. There is, for instance, the new battle line between the Gospel and the non-Christian faiths. How can we preach the uniqueness of Christ in the context of resurgent faiths and cultures? How can we offer Jesus as the hope of the world and as the light which lighteth every man?

There is the battle line between the Gospel and the growing external controls which restrict our freedom to preach the Gospel and to make disciples of all nations. If some doors are closing for us, what new doors of evangelistic opportunity God is opening up for us? There is the battle line beyond the traditional structures of the church. The N.M.S. has a mandate to go be-

yond where the churches have not gone, to blaze new trails, to enter into areas of potential conflict.

As one seeks to examine what have undergirded and still undergird the efforts of the N.M.S. at least two settled convictions suggest themselves as being part of the deeps out of which these tides of missionary efforts have come: (1) the belief that the Gospel of Christ should gain universal acceptance; and (2) the belief that Christ is the very best that we have and we should give our best. These convictions should continue to challenge and move us forward.

Our Lord constrains us to go out into the world to proclaim the Good News that Christ has come and shows us a world to be redeemed. Are we ready to respond to His commission: "Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to the whole creation." This should be the meaning and impact of the N.M.S. Week of Prayer.

K.G.S. Dorairaj,	J. Colton Samuel	Bishop R.D. Joshi,
General Secretary,	Treasurer,	Bombay Episcopal Area,
N. M. S.,	N. M. S.,	Methodist Church in
		Southern Asia and President,
		N. M. S., of India.

N. B.

If October 12th is not suitable to any congregation to observe the N.M.S. Sunday, they can observe the same on any other convenient Sunday.

Collections taken in the N.M.S meeting and in the N.M.S. Sunday Service or by special collection may kindly be forwarded to the Honorary Treasurer, N.M.S., 102, Peters Road, Madras-14.

PLEASE NOTE :—

Those who need "CALL TO PRAYER"

in English and Tamil may please write to —	The N.M.S. Office, 102, Peters Road, Royapettah, Ms - 14.
in Kanada and Marathi ,, ,,	— Mr. J. P. Ashwal, 38/1341, Tilak Nagar, Bombay-400089.
in Hindi ,, ,,	— Mr. Paul Singh, 'Taranivas', Salamatpura, Sohagpur, Hoshangabad, M.P.

AN APPEAL.

From The General Secretary for the Observance of the
N.M.S. Sunday, 1975.

To

The Moderators, Bishops, Heads of Churches and Pastors.

Dear Colleagues in the Lords Vineyard,

Greetings to you in the name of Our Lord Jesus, who has all authority and who has committed to us the task of preaching the gospel to all nations.

As usual, the N.M.S. Prayer week and N.M.S. Sunday falls on 1975 October 6th to 12th, 12th being the N.M.S. Sunday. The main purpose of observing the N.M.S. Sunday is to unite all Christians as churches, institutions, branches and individuals in our beloved motherland in prayer to the 'Lord of Harvest' to send enough labourers and resources to fulfil His mission of winning India for Him.

So, we send this appeal with a heart full of thanks for His mercies in the life and work of the Society in the past year. The Society depending on God as per the motto,

**"EXPECT GREAT THINGS FROM GOD
ATTEMPT GREAT THINGS FOR GOD"**

has increased its centres of labour. It works in 12 different centres in 8 different states with 38 paid workers and eight honorary workers.

All the centres are fruitful ones, having converts and getting increased responses. So, we request the heads of the churches, to kindly direct the churches and institutions under their jurisdiction to observe the N.M.S. prayer week and the N.M.S. Sunday.

With grateful heart to God and thanks to all the Heads of Churches we are happy to report that we get increasing response and cooperation from the churches. The major churches in India have commended the Society to their individual churches for their support and the observance of the N.M.S. Sunday.

THE CHURCH OF SOUTH INDIA has reiterated its resolution made in the very first Synod by the Synod Working Committee's following resolution:—

“The Committee resolved to join in the week of prayer and recommends to the Dioceses to contribute to the N. M. S.”

THE CHURCH OF SOUTH INDIA resolved that the work of the N.M.S. be commended to the interest and cooperative support of the Church of North India.

THE METHODIST CHURCH IN SOUTH ASIA has N.M.S. in its benevolent list. Further, it has become an active partner in our work.

THE METROPOLITAN OF THE MAR THOMA CHURCHES has commended N.M.S. to his church members for their active support.

THE ANDHRA EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH has decided to depute Rev. G. Joseph Wilson as the N.M.S. Missionary to the Andamans with part financial support for his maintenance.

In this connection may I kindly bring to you the following :-

1. The N.M.S. was born out of the churches in India and exists ‘as an evangelistic arm of the churches in India.’ So, its main concern is as per objects of the society to create evangelistic zeal in the local churches, It continues to work for the same.

2. The N.M.S. encourages christians to be loyal members of their respective churches in fellowship, in giving and by involving themselves in the evangelistic project of their churches.

3. N.M.S. appeals for support by prayer and contribution TO CARRY THE GOSPEL ON THEIR BEHALF to the unreached people.

The N.M.S. workers are in most difficult places devoid of communication and comforts, and are often faced with persecution. But they are there in obedience to God’s call on our behalf. Some of them are manhandled and threatened constantly. So, they need your prayers with concern.

The N.M.S. Missionaries work on sacrificial basis. Their stipends are meagre and they are unable to make both ends meet. Hence, our appeal to churches to give to the society that Sunday collection, 12-10-1975, if possible. If not, may I kindly request the presbyters to make announcement about the N.M.S. and its needs and the need of the missionary task in this country on 6-10-1975 and appeal for a Special Collection on N.M.S., Sunday and forward the donation to us. The N.M.S. task is the Lord’s work.

The branches and supporters are requested to arrange for Missionary Prayer meetings during the week to tell people about the N.M.S. and its work. A collection may be taken in these meetings and the same forwarded to us.

Counting on your cooperation, with prayers,

Yours in His service,
Rev. K.G.S. DORAIRAJ,
General Secretary.

Hints for the Missionary talk on N.M.S. Sunday

How Can I when there is no one to instruct me. (Acts 8-31)

The above words represent the cry of the millions in our country. This has been well brought out in the incident of Philip meeting the Ethiopian eunuch, who had the scripture with him and who was reading an appropriate passage to quench his spiritual thirst, but he needed the help of another human-being to guide and help him. This incident brings out the need for human agency in God's act of soul winning. When our Lord came into the world, He needed 12 men "to be with Him" and "to send them forth to preach". These men by carrying on the work entrusted to them by our Lord 'to go' and 'preach the Gospel to all nations' had earned a worthy accusation that 'these men, who had turned the world upside down had come here too'. So, it is plain that God, Almighty, needs a human agency to carry on His work of turning the world upside down or to change the existing conditions to make the world His habitation. To emphasise this in a country which needed such a help as the Ethiopian eunuch and to help the church to be aware of the cry, the N.M.S. was formed through His worthy vessels chosen from different parts of India, from different denominations speaking different languages to be the evangelistic arm of the church in India to take the Gospel to the unreached, with the support and prayer of the Christian Community in the country.

Now, the Society has carried on the work for the past 70 years faithfully, facing many a crises winning souls and handling them over to the nearby churches with the property acquired in that place. To-day, the Society carries on the work in the following places:—

(1) **NEPAL-Butwal-Workers:** Mr. & Mrs. V. T. Abraham. In accordance with the vision of late Sadhu Sunder Singh, the Society started its work about 14 years ago. It has established a congregation, which is self-supporting, self-managing and self-propagating. As direct evangelism is prohibited in Nepal and as the evangelists are in constant watch of the Government, they do indirect evangelism. Previously, the people were taken out to India and were baptised. Now, the people are baptised within Nepal. Some of the recent converts faced persecution, some of them were manhandled, and some of them lost their property. One of the believer's house was destroyed. Yet, these young converts continue steadfastly in their faith in Lord Jesus Christ.

(2) **U.P.-Bageshwar, Worker:—** Mr. Bachi Singh. This is an unreached place about 126 miles in the interior of the Himalayan ranges from Kathgodam, which is the Railway terminus at the foot of the ranges. It is a Hindu pilgrim Centre, regarded as second to Varnasi. The people carry their dead from distant places and cremate them on the banks of the river and dissolve the remains. Our evangelist faced stout opposition from some political parties. The work is carried on under the supervision of the District Superintendent of the Methodist Church of Almora. The District Superintendent of Pithoragarh of the M.C.S.A., has also asked us to open a Centre in Julaghat, which is under the active consideration of the Society.

(3) **Rajasthan-Ajmer, Workers:** The Rev. & Mrs. S.C.P. Tyagi. The work was started at Bharathpur, some 7 years ago with Mr. Tyagi as an evangelist. He faithfully did his work at Bharathpur for 6 years and together they have led 19 people to Christ, who were handed over to the Church of North India and the Methodist Church in that area. At the beginning of the financial year, they were moved to Ajmer to work in the two adjoining religious centres, viz., Pushkar and Kishankar. The converts were also severely beaten and persecuted. In spite of many oppositions and manhandling, they carry on the work faithfully and Mrs. C. P. Tyagi is now actively engaged in the relief-work among the people affected by the recent floods. There are some enquirers to be baptised. The Mar Thoma Church has sent an evangelist, who will work in cooperation with the Rev. Tyagi. This is a step forward for closer cooperation from our old partner in the Gospel.

(4) **West Bengal-Malligachi-Workers:—** Mr. & Mrs. P. Rajan Gupta. It is a very backward place in the Howrah district, about 50 K.M. from Calcutta. There is opposition due to suspicion among the people. The evangelist boldly carries on his work. He has led people to Christ. Two were handed over

to the Church at Ulluberia. There are two well-educated and employed men, are ready to be baptised and they will be baptised by the Church of North India with the consent of the Bishop of Calcutta. Further, the Society is, in consultation with the Diocese of Calcutta about the supervisions and effective work to be carried on in that Centre.

(5) Assam - Manipur - Our honorary workers are Mr. & Mrs. Paul. They do honorary work among the youth and students.

(6) Orissa - Puri - Workers :— Mr. & Mrs. Koteswara Rao, honorary workers and Rev. Paul Sanjeevi and three teachers. This is the crown of our work. Lord led us to win 30 people through a boy of 12 years called Ereyyah. Thus, a small congregation was started, which was increasing year by year and even last December, we had six adults baptised. They have built a church of their own and they manage their own affairs. They also contribute to the Society. Now, we have a congregation of about 100 people. This little congregation has grown in fellowship with the local Oriya congregation and they get on together in doing evangelistic work among the lakhs of pilgrims, who visit Puri annually. There is opposition and our workers were threatened often by Pandas - priests of the temple of Lord Jaganath, on many occasions. Their literature was destroyed. Yet, the work is carried on. Sidu Bishwal, our evangelist-cum-Ashram-keeper was suspected to have been murdered. He was a zealous evangelist and a simple faithful soul. We are very sorry to miss him. The acts of Satan have come upon the congregation by the Government order to evict the people from the locality. We are awaiting full details but we are made to understand that the people were forced to leave their houses within a few hours and their houses were destroyed. The people here need our special prayers.

The library being repaired, we will soon have a librarian to carry on the work.

(7) M.P. - Dabra - Workers :— The Rev. Edwin Sherring. The evangelist goes on regular tour visiting villages within the radius of 20 miles around Dabra. He preaches the Gospel, distributes literature and contacts the people. He also contacts the mass movement scattered Christians who have no pastoral care and connect them to the nearby pastorates. We had a brahmin convert by name David Mangaladas who is very strong in the faith. There is another brahmin enquirer.

(8) Mysore—Muddebihal. Workers: Mr. Franklin Bhasme. Among the Southern States, Mysore is a very backward place in the missionary enterprise. With the help of the Bombay friends, we opened a Centre. Mr. Bhasme does regular Gospel tour and contacts individuals, both Hindus, and Muslims. He

also tenders pastoral care for the unshepherded sheep. By his work 30 people were led to Christ in the village and they were received by the Church of South India.

(9) Bihar—Dhanbad—Sindhri. Workers: Mr. & Mrs. John Thomas. It is coal-mining, multi-lingual Centre. This Project is supported by the Dindigul friends. Mr. Thomas does individual work, and has started a Sunday School, for the Hindu children. He also contacts youths. Once, when he was out on his work, his room was ransacked and all things were stolen except his bicycle. Even that was lost, when he was on leave. Mrs. Thomas helps him in his work.

(10) Andhra—Uppada—Workers: Mr. & Mrs. Rosiah. These people were transferred from Puri. This Centre was started by one of the converts from Puri by name Mr. K. Chinna. He started a prayer fellowship and built a chapel by himself. Mr. & Mrs. have done a faithful work and won 10 converts from different communities. Hindus attend the service in large numbers. They have regular open-air meetings.

(11) Tamilnadu Jawadhi Hills. We work in 8 Centres with the following workers:

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|-------------------|---|---|
| 1. Jamnamarathur | — | Rev. D. Elias — missionary-in-charge. Mrs. Esther Robertson —Nurse. |
| 2. Kalyanamanthai | — | Mr. N. Victor.
Mrs. Mathurabal Victor—Nurse. |
| 3. Athipet | — | Mr. & Mrs. P. Rajaian. |
| 4. Veerapanur | — | Mr. Selwyn Samuel. |
| 5. Nadanur | — | Mr. S. Gnanamuthu,
Miss Sarammal George,
Mr. Jayaraj Samuel. |
| 6. Thongumalai | — | Mr. & Mrs. James Meyyan. |
| 7. Alleri | — | Mr. T. Arumainayagam.
Mr. Paulaiian. |
| 8. Gundalathur | — | Vacant. |

This is an year of rejoicing for the Centre, because for the first time a senior member of the tribe, with clear understanding of the Bible and after accepting the Lord as his personal Saviour was baptised. With him a tribal youth was also received into the church. At Kalyanamanthai, the back-slided congregation has shown signs of renewal. The Gospel has slowly pervaded

the tribal society, and there is a great demand for Bibles and New Testaments. They also express that Jesus is the true God. There are signs of rich harvest in this Centre.

The medical work is carried on effectively at Nadanur by the visit of Doctors, teams from St. John's Church, Vellore. A chapel, a small dispensary and a nurse's quarters are being built.

In Jamnamarathur, a dispensary building has been built. The medical work is carried on in this place by Mrs. Esther Robertson and Mrs. Victor. **BUT THERE IS A NEED FOR A DOCTOR. THIS IS AN URGENT NEED.**

There is a lively congregation of Government workers from the plains with the converts. The building of a pukka chapel is being delayed due to want of cement.

Our thanks are due to Mrs. Elias, who exerts a great Christian influence among the students.

(12) Maharashtra-Jawhar:— This work was started an year and a half ago. It is a work among the Adi-vasis. Mr. Daniel Plaspar, who was appointed to that Centre did not prove himself to be satisfactory and so he has been relieved and we need a Maharashtrian worker. The work is carried on by volunteers from Bombay.

(13) Andamans. Worker:— The Rev. & Mrs. Joseph Wilson. He is deputed by the Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church, which has also promised an annual support of Rs. 3,000/-. The Methodist church in Southern Asia will also participate in this project. Mr. Joseph Wilson, when he reaches the Andamans will work among the Telugus. As he knows, Hindi and Oriya apart from Telugu and English, he could work among others.

Mr. Ch. Asirvatham, who was our worker, could not go for theological training. Hence, he was stopped. This project will cost Rs. 6,000/- annually.

Theological training. 4 of our workers are under training in the Theological Colleges. 2 are supported by the N.M.S. and two are supported by the Kanyakumari Prayer Band.

Organizing Secretaries : There are 3 Organizing Secretaries : (1) The Rev. J. M. Jayasingh, (2) Mr. Paul Singh and (3) Mr. J. P. Ashwal and we need at least three more urgently.

More area committees are being formed during the year. Madurai, Salem, and Dharmapuri have become new areas. God willing some more may be organized.

Finance : The Annual budget for this year is Rs. 2,20,000/- The resources of our Society is meagre, but our workers are loyal and devoted. We request the members and friends to pray for the Society and its work. The increased cost of living necessitates increased stipend for our workers.

There are still more Gospel unreached places like Kashmir, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab and Bhutan. We request friends to help us by observing the N.M.S. Sunday, prayer meetings and liberal giving.

Total number of paid workers: 38 inclusive of 3 nurses.
8 Honorary workers.

Our task is great. There are still millions of people, who have no opportunity to hear the Gospel. The N.M.S. is no more "No Money Society." God provides enough, but it is "No Man Society." God wants many Christians to get involved in this task. What is your share?

Do you pray for the N.M.S?

Do you help the N.M.S. by your regular contributions to send missionaries on your behalf?

Are you a witness for the Saviour?

If not, start to-day to pray, to contribute and to be a witness

Litany for N.M.S. Sunday Oct. 12th 1975

Let us thank God for His blessings.

Response: We thank you O, God,

For your great act of revealing your love towards mankind by sending your beloved son to seek and save the lost;

For the Church which is His body, which was commissioned to fulfil His mission and for the formation of the Church of South India and the Church of North India and for the movement of the union among the evangelical congregations which are still outside the union;

Thank you O, God.

For your continued presence and acts in the history of the mankind in stirring up of the church to fulfil the mission;

Thank you O, God.

For all the Missionary Societies, both foreign and Indian and their Founders and their activities.

Thank you O, God.

For the growth of the evangelical zeal found among the Christians in India and for the formation of missionary groups.

Thank you O, God.

For the National Missionary Society of India and her work for the last 70 years as the evangelistic arm of the church.

Thank you O, God.

For the progress with expansion of the fields and increased number of workers with interested financial support;

Thank you O, God.

For enabling the N.M.S. to see the fruits of the labour in the various fields of the N.M.S. viz., Nepal, Bageshwar, Rajasthan, Nebogram, Puri, Dabra and Tamilnadu;

Thank you O, God.

Let us ask God's forgiveness:

We in India received your Gospel through your faithful servants for the last 1900 years; but we have failed to share the same with our fellow-men in our country;

Good Lord, forgive us.

For our indifference to your call 'to go' or 'to send' with concern for every soul in this country and in the countries around us;

Good Lord, forgive us.

For our lack of vision for the mission which you have entrusted to us because of self-interest and introvert nature which hinders evangelisation of this country;

Good Lord, forgive us.

For the sins of division and disunity in our congregations which hinders us from being your witness;

Good Lord, forgive us.

For the spirit of competition and for the desire to have self-identity found among the missionary bodies instead of presenting our Lord as one body.

Good Lord, forgive us.

In spite of the knowledge that you have not spared your son to save us, we have failed to sacrifice even a little to give the joy of salvation to our fellow-men.

Good Lord, forgive us.

PETITIONS

Your church may be delivered from all scandal, sin and shame; from indifference to your mission to save the world from inconsistency, wavering and fear, and that He may shine as the light in the world and as a city set on a hill.

We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.

That your church may preach the Gospel to every creature and set forth truth that makes men free and proclaim forgiveness of sin, seek out the wandering and re-claim the lost;

We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.

That this congregation may be filled with your Holy Spirit to be a witness to you in an immediate environment and show concern by prayer and sacrifice for the people that are in the unreached places;

We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.

Create in the minds of the leaders of the indigenous missionary groups a spirit of co-operation and co-ordination in planning and spreading, so that the Gospel may be presented as one in Christ.

We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.

That you may help us to fulfil the concern for the 97.4% of the population in this country that are not in your fold.

We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.

Help us that this country which was and is seeking truth for centuries may see you as the Truth;

We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.

Help us to pray and help the Missionary Societies, especially the N.M.S. in the great task of winning India for Christ.

We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.

Amen.

The National Missionary Society Of India

Felicitations :

We are happy to know that the Rt. Rev. S. Daniel Abraham was consecrated as the Bishop in Tirunelveli of the Church of South India on 19th June, 1975 at Palayankottah. The Society wishes and prays that God may bless and grant him the wisdom and power to be father in God for the Diocese.

Report and request for prayer :

The Gospel pervades the life of the Tribals in the Jawadhi Hills

One of our workers was called to a funeral house. There, he was surprised to find that the dead-body was put in the sitting pasture with Bible in his hands. This shows the growing influence of the Gospel among the Tribals.

One parent of one of our converts said that he does not worship the Tribal Gods neither does he worship Christ; but stands in the midway thinking which is the right way, Here the workers are called "Yesusamy".

A man when told about salvation through Christ' his concern was for her lost husband, and complained to the minister why he did not come before 12 years.

In the 15 years of work in the Jawadhi Hills, we can find the Gosepl working slowly and steadily in the minds of the psople.

The sheep are scattered at Puri—Orissa :

It was shocking news to receive that our Christian congregation at Puri is under trial and persecution. In the last summer, while they were out of Puri on fishing, the Oriya fisher-took away their fish forcibly. Now, the Government have come upon them with eviction order. The order was to leave their hours sites within six hours. Some of the congregation members' houses were dismantled. Our honorary worker, Mr. Koteswara Rao, instead of seeing his house being dismantled and destroyed, he gave it away to the Government. We are awaiting for further reports from the worker. He has briefly stated that the people were leaving for their native places. It is a heart-breaking thing for them as well as for us to see what they have earned by hard labour to be destroyed before their own sight.

Your prayers are requested for them with concern.

Sindri—Bihar :

Mr. John Thomas returned to Sindri with his wife in Merch after their wedding to find that the only thing his cycle that was left by the miscreants had been stolen.

North Tamil Area Committee :

We are happy to report that the North Tamil Nadu Area Committee met at the Christ Church, Salem on 26th July under the presidentship of the Rt. Rev. Henry Lazarus, Assistant Bishop of the Madras Diocese. The meeting was well attended. The session began with devotion conducted by the President.



North Tamil Area Committee

The missionary-in-charge of the Jawadhi Hills the Rev. D. Elias gave detailed report of the work in the centre and its needs. It was supplemented by three workers from that field. Rev. J. M. Jayasingh gave a report on his organising work in Tamil Nadu. The General Secretary the Rev. K.G.S. Dorairaj gave a general summary of the work done in different fields and also about the challenges. He also worked out the cost of the Jawadhi field. It would come to Rs. 60,000/- per year. The area committee Secretary Mr. Alfred gave a report about the activities of the Committee.

The Committee discussed in detail how to do effective organising work to get increased support.

- (i) To conduct North Tamil Area Conference at Kancheepuram in October.
- (ii) As the area is too wide to do any effective work, it was proposed to divide the area into 3 areas.
 - (a) Nilgiris and Coimbatore Districts.
 - (b) Salem and Dharmapuri
 - (c) North and South Arcots and Chingleput.
- (iii) Through there is a dispensary and three nurses there is no doctor. So, the urgent need is to seek the support for a doctor and the services of a dedicated doctor.

The climax of the Area Committee meeting was the dedication service in which the new workers M/s Selwyn Samuel, Arumainayagam and Jayaraj Samuel who are the fruits of our missionary effort in the Jawadhi. On 27th all the four churches in Salem were contacted and given the missionary challenge.

Our thanks are due to the President of the Salem branch Rev. Sam Vedomuthu, Mr. R. Daniel, the Secretary for their nice arrangements and hospitality. We also thank the Presbyters and the committee members of other Churches for their kind co-operation and contribution towards the hospitality to the Committee members.

Subscriptions for the months of June & July 1975

	Rs.	P.		Rs.	P.
Uttar Pradesh :			Bihar :		
Holy Cross Church, Jhansi	40	00	Mr. D. P. Sigamani	20	00
Mr. R. P. Elred, Allahabad	94	00	Mrs. Veena Williamson,		
„ J. Das, Kanpur	100	00	Muzaffarpur	20	00
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	1,254	00			
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	1,100	00

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Rev. S. S. Jugal, Hubli	50	00
Bishop of Calcutta, C.N.I.	100	00
	150	00

Bihar :

Mr. D. P. Sigamani	20	00
Mrs. Veena Williamson, Muzaffarpur	20	00
Miss Sheela Williamson, Muzaffarpur	20	00
Mr. Williamson, Muzaffarpur	20	00
	80	00

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Mr. John Appa Rao, Puri	100	00
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„ P. K. Sahu, Cuttack	5	00
	120	00

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Thro' Rev. S.C.P. Tyagi

CNI Church, Ajmeer	69 00
	69 00

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Secretary, Bombay Area	
	Committee
Salary for M/s. Bhasme & Daniel Palaspagar	800 20
<i>Thro' Mr. J. P. Ashwal</i>	
Byculla Central	43 00
Bhandup	41 00
Marol	86 00
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Kurla	142 00
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Madhya Pradesh :

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Society of Friend, Makaria	5	00
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Thirumala Prayer Fellowship,		
Trivandrum	100	00
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<i>Thro' Miss A. Thomas,</i>		
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J. Palanna, Puttur	2	00
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Mrs. W. Premaskshi	5	00
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„ A. Abraham	10	00
„ S. Paul Chinna	10	00
„ Devaputra	5	00
„ Jayamani Simon	5	00
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North Tamil Area :

Ashram School, Vellore	20	00
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Thro' Mr. R. Daniel	200	00
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„ Dhanaraj	2	00
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„ Christopher	1	00
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„ Dorairaj	1	00
„ Abraham	0	50
„ Jeyaraj	0	50
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Thro' Mr. Jason Jayaraj, Kancheepuram	63	51	Mr. C. D. Samuel	6	00
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Mrs. Annie Ratnam	6	00	„ Vedamuthu	6	00
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Arthur Wellington	3	00	Mr. S. R. Kanagamoni, Thirunavalur	10	00
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Alice Monickam	2	50	South Tamil Area :		
Mr. Anthur Monsingh	3	00	Methodist Girls' High School Trichy-3	61	40
„ K. Chairman Durai	6	00	President, Nagercoil Church		
Dr. Mrs. Deenadayalan	3	00	Ladies Mssionary	115	00
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„ Dawson	6	00	Thro' Mr. D. Paul Singaram	20	00
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„ V. Ebenezer	2	50	Thro' Mr. T. Samuel, Thanjavur	127	00
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Madras-16	25	60
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Thirumangalam	30	00
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„ S. F. Jeyavelu	21	00
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„ Dharmaraj	463	00
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Rev. V. M. Thomas, Ms.-59	20	00
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„ Paul Kanthan	5	00
Mrs. A. Dorairaj	5	00
Mr. Sahayam	25	00
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Madras City Area Prayer Meeting Collection :			Jawadi Hills	327	30
Mrs. M. O John, Ms.-7	10	30	Muddebihal	20	45
N. M. S. Office, Ms. 14	36	00	Bageshwar	5	00
	46	30	Rajasthan	1	00
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			Isapanthy Ashram	158	00
Special Receipts (Earmarked) for help to Nadanur Work :			Thro' Rev. Edwin Sherring, Daba.		
Dr. G S. Davis, Madras	40	00	Rev. & Mrs. Edwin Sherring	10	00
Dr. A. Gopal, Rajamundry	10	00	Mr. & Mrs. D. V. Hoffman	10	00
Mrs. E. S. Manickavasagam, Madurai	5	00	Mr. N. P. Masih	10	00
Mr. I. Daniel, Hooghly	100	00	Mr. & Mrs Benji Masih	4	00
Mr. A. Henry, Trivandrum	40	00	" " Hardwin Spencer	4	00
Mr. Paul Singh	10	00	" " Yaqub Masih	2	00
Mr. Paul Gnanabharanam, Madras	10	00	" " H. H. Singh	4	00
	215	00	" " Markus B. Lal	4	00
			" " Job, C.M.	4	00
For Bihar Work :			Mrs. T. John	5	00
Thro' Dr. K. Kurien, Dindigul	500	00	Mrs. Benjamin Y. Masiah	6	00
A friend	75	00	Miss Sherily Chawhan	4	00
	575	00	Mr & Mrs Hamilton Sherring	2	00
			" " Emmanuel Pershad	3	00
A friend for Jawadhi Work	75	00	" " R. P. Sagegely	2	00
Rev. J. Balasingh, Kulathur for Theological Training	10	00	" " Philip Mangi	3	00
			" " Anil Kumar Jacob	10	00
			Mrs. Kamb	5	00
			Mr. & Mrs. J. Victor	4	00
			Thro' Mr. Samuel R. Shah, Bombay		
			Mr. Anil Kumar	2	00
			Friend and fellowship of Jesus	5	00
			P. B. Pandit	1	00
			St. Andrews Church	16	00
				641	75
			Grand Total	15,774	04

ERATTA

On page 12 Column 1 of June NMI issue, the receipt of Rs. 1,000/- from Mr. P. S. Rajaratnam is for "Theological Students Aid" and not for "Tribal Students scholarship."

ANNOUNCEMENT

1. The N.M.S. Prayer Week will be observed from October 6th to 12, 1975.
2. All Churches in India are kindly requested to observe the N.M.S. Sunday.
The branches and friends are requested to arrange for missionary prayer meetings in their areas. All the Church bodies have carried the observance of the N.M.S. to their churches.
Copies of Prayer Call in the following languages can be had from:

English & Tamil — From N.M.S. Office, 102, Peter's Road, Royapettah, Madras-600 014.

Kannada & Marathi — From Mr. J. P. Ashwal, 38/1341, Tilak Nagar, Bombay-400 089.

Hindi — From Mr. Paul Singh-
'Tara Niwas' Salamat-pura, Sohagpur, Hosangabad District, N.P.

North Tamil Area N.M.S. Conference

The North Tamil Nadu Area Conference will be held in the Anderson School, Kanchipuram, from October 11th—13th.

All are requested to pray for the Conference.

All are invited to attend.

For details please write to:

The Rev. J. M. Jayasingh,
10, V. O. C. Street,
Ulakanathapuram,
Trichirapalli—620 020

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MESSAGE

Oh! Master Let me walk with Thee
In lowly paths of service free,
Teach me thy secret, help me bear
The strain of toil, the fret of care,
May I live for those who love me
For those who know me true,
For the heaven that smiles above me
And waits my coming too,
For the cause that needs assistance,
For the wrong that needs resistance
For the future in the distance. Amen

Anon.



REPORT of the Trivandrum Branch of the N.M.S. for 1974 - 75.

Office bearers of the Committee of management:—

President	— Mr. G. George,
Vice Presidents	— The Rev. N. T. Jacob, The Rev. A. Isaac, The Rev. N. Oommen, Mr. K. George.
Secretary	— Mr. I. Paul,
Joint Secretary	— Mr. H Fletcher.
Treasurer	— Mr. P. P. Philip.

As we present this report, we express our deep sense of gratitude to God for His unfailing guidance and pray for greater strength and courage to carry on His work.

Monthly meetings of the Executive Committee were held every month at the Centenary Hall.

Retreat on 8th March 1975. A retreat was held at the Christ Church Centenary Hall for the members of the branch. The Rev. L. John District Chairman was the leader of the retreat.

The financial campaign started in October 1974, closed on March 1975. A total amount of Rs. 5774 was raised.

Annual Public meeting and sale were held at the Y. M. C. A. Hall on 3-11-1974. Dr. M. Roy and Mrs. Roy were the Chief Guests.

Contributions to the Jawadi Hills work Rs 200/- p.m is being paid as salary for one of the workers. We also paid Rs. 1000/- to the Head Quarters towards medical work in Nadanoor.

Local Project at Parathkonam – Mr. Purusothaman continues as catechist at this centre. We pay him Rs. 60/- as part of his salary and Rs 100/- was spent towards Christmas treat for children.

N.M.S. Prayer week. This was observed in October 1974, when Mr. I. Paul preached in different churches.

Cottage Prayer. Regular monthly cottage prayer meetings are held at the houses of the members of the Executive when intercessory prayers for the various fields are made.

N.M.S. Triennial All India Conference was held at Bangalore in October 1974. Mr. H. Fletcher and Mr. T. Joseph attended the conference. The local branch contributed Rs 500/- towards the expenses of the conference.

“Just a minute” a pamphlet was translated into Malayalam and the Rev. J. M. Jayasingh distributed them in the Maramon Convention in February 1975.

Sd. I. Paul Sastry,
Secretary.

N.M.S. Financial Campaign 1974.

RECEIPTS.

Distant Places	Rs. 2099
Nauthencode (A)	829
(B)	628
Palayam & Thycand	755
Barton Hill (A)	501
(B)	275
Kesavadasapuram and Pattom	405
Outside Trivandrum	252
Women's fellowship M.M. Church	25
Anonymous	5

Rs. 5,774

Report of the N.M.S. North Tamilnadu Area Committee

The N.M.S. work in the North Tamil Nad was revived in 1973, after conducting a Conference in Ranipet under the presidency of the Rt. Rev. Henry Lazarus. The second and third conferences were held in Coimbatore and Salem in 1974 and 1975 respectively. The following 3 Joint Secretaries were elected for the areas noted against each.

1. Mr. D. Samuel
Gnanakadacham — Coimbatore & Nilgiris.
2. Mr. R. Daniel — Salem & Dharmapuri.
3. Mr. P. Kanikairaj — Chingleput & N. Arcot.

Many institutions in the above areas have formed N.M.S. branches and are evincing keen interest and collecting contributions.

Statement of Income for the years 1973 to 1975.

Churches	Rs.	11874	59
Branches	Rs.	10634	81
Individuals	Rs.	4211	20

Total	Rs.	26720	60
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Ranipet,
9-9-75.

R. Alfred,
Secretary.

Report of U.P. Area Committee—1975

The annual meeting of U.P. Area Committee met at Allahabad (18, Churi Road) under the chairmanship of Mr. M. M. Maxton, the President, on Friday, August 22nd 1975. The meeting discussed at length matters on the agenda and the following office bearers for 1975-76 were elected.

- President :** — Mr. M. M. Maxton, Director, Every Home Crusade, PB. 258, Mahangar, Lucknow-6, U.P.
- Vice-President :** — Mr. A. V. Singh, 11/2, Muirabad, Allahabad, U.P.
- Hony. Secretary :** — Mr. A. H. Khan, Nur Manzil, Lal Bagh, Lucknow-1, U.P.
- Jt. Secretary :** — Miss M. M. Singh, 85, Nazar Bagh, Lucknow, U.P.

- Asst. Secretary: — Mr. R. P. Eldred, 634 A, Rly. Qrs.
Smith Road, Allahabad, U.P.
- Rep. for U.P.C. — Mr. Paul Singh, Org. Secy., N. I.
Sohagpur, Dt. Hoshangabad, M.P.
- Alternate: — Mr. A. V. Singh, 11/2, Muirabad,
Allahabad.

Sd. A. H. Khan,
Hony. Secy., N.M.S., U.P. Area.

Report from the Munnar Branch

We are regularly conducting N.M.S. cottage prayer meetings on the 1st Sunday of every month at 6-30 p.m. in a house where we are invited. This has been started from July 1974 and we are continuously having the Prayer Meetings without any break by the help of God.

This month the meeting was held in Mr. M. Chelliah's house on 7-9-1975. Nearly 45 people attended the meeting. The Speaker was the Rev. Thampan, C.S.I. Malayalam Pastor. In his speech he said that National Missionary Society is working throughout India and members must pray and give for the N.M.S.

Notice

N.M.S. North Tamil Nad area Conference proposed to be held in Kanchipuram from October 11-13th as announced in the August issue of the N.M.I. stands postponed. Revised date will be announced later.

E. Paul Gnanabharanam,
For General Secretary.

N.M.S. Field reports.

Dabra - Madhya Pradesh. Rev. Edwin Sherring writes :— I received an invitation from Jabalpur Executive to do deputation work in Jabalpur during the month in company with Mr. Paul Singh. We conducted meetings in all the churches. Rev. O.G. Wilson, Rev. E. Moses, Rev Kishensingh and Mr. T. Thomas did their best to make the deputation work a success.

Nepal - Butwal. Mr. V. T. Abraham writes :— On the 30th June, the house of Mr. Kulbahadur, a christian was burnt while

he was away. He lost everything. This was deliberately done because he was a Christian. We helped him with Rs. 500/- to build a new house. Prayers of friends are requested. Visited neighbouring villages and contacted men and spread the Gospel conducted divine worship on Sundays.

Mr. Paul Singh, Organizing Secretary North India writes :— Did deputation work in company with Rev. Edward Sherring of Dabra.

Orissa - Puri. The Rev. Paul Sanjeevi writes :— By God's grace we have new enquirers. In July the Government suddenly issued orders for the evacuation of all the Telugu people. Their houses were destroyed. Mr. K. Koteswara Rao had to leave his beautiful house which he gave away to the Government. On 1-8-1975, Mr. Rao saw the Collector in the matter. Members are requested to pray for the people in their distress. As usual' cottage prayer meetings are held. The attendance at the Sunday Schools is very good.

Bihar - Dhanbad. Mr. John Thomas writes :— I am carrying on the Gospel work by preaching, personal contacts and Sunday school.

Bageshwar - U.P. Mr. Bache Singh writes :— I am visiting daily shop-keepers and conducting dialogue. I am contacting teachers, students and talking to them about the Gospel and visiting bus stands and distributing tracts.

Muddebihal - Mysore. Mr. Frank Bhasme writes :— Visited villages round about Muddebihal, Bidar Gundi, Jayawadgi, Gudalmari and preached the Gospel. As usual, I am contacting persons in their houses and doing personal evangelism.

Malligachi - West Bengal. Mr. Ranjan Gupta writes :— Visited Kurigachi; Mirjapur, Nischitapura, Kalinagar and Basudevpur. Contacted labourers and presented the Gospel and went to Ulluberia hospital to visit the sick. Mr. Samson Mondol has been absolutely prepared for baptism. Mr. Noor Mohamad will be shortly brought to Christ.

Jawadhi Hills. Rev. Elias writes :— A group of young people from Tirupathy visited 15 villages round about. They were richly blessed. In Veerapanur, Jacob Andy Gounder is growing spiritually and feels a burden for the conversion of his family members. Prayers are requested for him. At Alleri, people are eagerly

listening to Gospel stories and they suspect that we have kidnaped certain young boys, whom we have sent to the plains for education. Just 4 miles away from Kalyanamandai, one Annamalai who was nearly brought to Christ is not having a peaceful time because of his wife's dissuasion. He never worships Hindu Gods several years. Prayers of friends are requested for this man. Mrs. Madurai boi Victor reports that in June, 58 men, 44 women and 29 children were given treatment. In one case a lady was miraculously cured by prayer and medicine. This made a big impression upon the people. At Jamnamarathur, in June, 83 men, 45 women and 49 children were given medical treatment. At Nadanur Mr. Gnanamuthu writes that on 9-6-1975 when he had gone to bring the maistry for building work, thieves broke open his house and stole away his articles, dress, etc. The work of building the dispensary and quarters for the nurse is at a standstill, because it is very difficult to bring workers from the plains. In the dispensary, during June 125 men, 67 women and 22 children received treatment. At Athipet, children do not like to come to school, one girl, by name Chinnakanni has faith in Christ, but she has many obstacles at home. Prayers of friends are requested.

OBITUARY

1. We regret to report about the death of Mr. Thomas, late accountant of the N.M.S. Head Quarters, Royapettah, after a prolonged illness for several years. He served the Society honestly for over 17 years and in his leaving his work in 1968 on account of his illness, the N.M.S. lost an able hardworking official. He has left behind his wife, a son and a daughter to bemoan his loss. We convey to the bereaved our heartfelt condolences.

2. Our Senior N.M.S. friends will perhaps remember one of our old leaders of the Society, Mr. Balasingam Satya Nadar, M.A., M.L., L.L.M. His son Mr. E. L. Satyasingam, B.Sc. B.D.S., F.D.S., R.C.S., (Edn), F.F.D.R.C.S.I. (Dublin) an eminent dentist passed away in London on 20-6-1975 at the age of 40. He was Senior Registrar, Eastman Dental Hospital, London. He was a great supporter of the N.M.S. We convey to his wife, son and brothers our sincere condolences.

3. We regret to report the death at Madurai in May last of Mr. Stanly Meyyappan. He was a staunch supporter of the N.M.S. in Madurai. We convey to the bereaved our sincere condolences,

4. We regret to report the death of Mrs. A. V. Singh, wife of Mr. A. V. Singh of Allahabad, after a prolonged illness. Mr. A. V. Singh was our, Travelling Organizing Secretary for over a decade. We convey our sincere sympathy to Mr. A. V. Singh and his family in their bereavement.

5. We regret to report the death of Mr. George Ponniah on 9-9-1975 at Conjeevram. He was the President of the N.M.S. Branch of Conjeevaram and Headmaster of the Anderson High School. He was very much interested in the N.M.S. and in him we have lost a good supporter of the N.M.S. We convey our sympathies to the bereaved members of his family.

6. We regret to report the death of the Rev. Dr. Kennett Yohanan Massih of Christ Church, Chandrigar. He was an active member of the N.M.S. and of the N.M.S. all India executive. We convey to the members of the bereaved family our sincere condolences.

World Sunday School Day, 1975

Sunday November 2

Programme containing worship service and a topical play based on the *Theme of the coming WCC Assembly—Jesus Christ Frees and Unites Programme with Worship & Play* paise 60 each. *WSSD Seals* in colour, symbolic of “*Jesus Frees & Unites.*” available in *Albums* of 20 at Rs. 5/- each Album.

Write to us promptly:—

INDIA SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION,
Coonoor, Nilgiris.

CORRECTION

N.M.I. August issue—Page 16

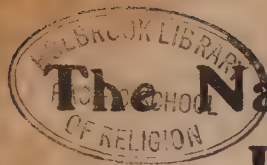
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“The climax of the Area Committee Meeting was the dedication service in which the new workers M/s. Selwym Samuel, Arumainayagam and Jeyaraj Samuel who are the fruits of our missionary effort in the Jawadhi.”

Correction Read

Only Mr. Jeyaraj Samuel is the fruit of our missionary effort in Jawadhi. The other two are sent from the K. K. Diocesan Missionary Prayer Band.

The mistake is regretted.



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The South Tamil Nadu Area Committee

The South Tamil Nad Area Committee was formed at the meeting of the representatives of the branches on 9—12—1973 at Arasaradi. The following office-bears were elected.

- President — Rev. M. D. Rajamony, Nazareth.
Vice President — Rev. Dayachand Carr, Arasarady.
Hony. Secretary
& Treasurer. — Mr. S. Solomon Rajayya, Tanjavur.

There were 17 branches of the N.M.S. functioning, when the Area Committee was formed. Later, branches were formed in four other places on account of the active support of pastors, Rev. Gnanavasagam, Rev. E. Durai Raj, Rev. Gabriel and Rev. Josephus. One meeting was held in Arasarady on 27—7—1974, where 14 members were present. All hoped that more branches would be opened.

A Sale Festival was conducted at Thanjavur on 2—10—1974. Members and Pastors of all churches cooperated and a sum of Rs. 3,100/- was realised. No separate accounts are maintained at the Area level. All collections are remitted to the head quarters at Madras.

Mr. S. Solomon Rajayya — Hony. Secretary S. T. Area Committee.

Branch N. M. S. Salem.

The following are the Office Bearers :

1. Rev. S. Christopher — President
2. Rev. D. Arulraj — Vice President
3. Sri J. Dhanaraj, — Secretary
4. „, T. Lawrence — Treasurer.

5. „ Mrs. Vijaya Kanthan Inbaraj
 „ Vimala Jeyabai Samidorai
 „ S. Yesudas,
 „ A. Thomas Williams (Church Secy).
 „ A. Alexander
 „ P. Kanagarathnam,
 „ S. Kanagarathnam —Members

The following are the office bearers of the newly formed N.M.S. Branch, Athur, Salem. (28-9-75).

1. Rev. T. Arulraj, —President
 2. Mr. M. R. Moses, —Secretary
 3. „ S. Sigamoni —Treasurer.

Report of the West Bengal Area Committee for 1975-76.

- Mr. R. V. Mukerjee —President
 Mr. A. J. Samuel
 Rev. S. K. Biswas, —Vice Presidents
 Mr. D. Mitra —Hony. Secretary
 Mr. D. S. Aruldas, —Jt. Secretary
 Mr. K. A. Ezra, —Treasurer.

The Rev. J. Andrews of the M.C.S.A. conducted the opening devotion.

During the year, Mr. P. R. Gupta, N.M.S. Evangelist posted at Malligachi carried on evangelistic penetration in 15 adjoining villages. On November 1974, one Muslim young man Rahiman received baptism. At present, we have 4 more enquirers including Mr. Samiran Mandol who will be shortly baptised. We had a successful variety entertainment and a N.M.S. get-together in April, 1974. The coaching classes started by Mr. P. R. Gupta had to be dropped. At the Bangalore Conference of the N.M.S. two people from Calcutta attended the Conference.

Account ending 1974-75 is as follows :—

Receipts	Expenditure
St. Saviour's Church 701	Printing 18 95
Other members 232	Postage 61 00
Special donations 425	Printing, etc. 253 55
Variety show 758 00	
Interest 16 20	
Loans 450 00	
Closing balance 404 51	
2986 71	

N. M. S. FIELD REPORTS

Mysore State—Muddebihsl.—Mr. F. S. Bhasme reports—visited 13 villages in and around our headquarters. By personal evangelism, Sunday school and dialogue with students and prominent men, I am carrying on gospel work.

Madya Pradesh—Dabra.—Mr. Edwin Sherring writes—Made preparation for the visit of the General Secretary and Mr. Paul Singh—accompanied the General Secretary to Jhansi, Babina, Gwalior. General Secretary spoke in several places and the collection was Rs. 600/-.

West Bengal—Malligachi—Mr. P. R. Gupta writes—Mr. S. Mandol an earnest seeker after Christ is ready to receive baptism. The Diocese of Calcutta which promised to arrange for the baptism is delaying the date. I am touring neighbouring towns and contacting prominent people and presenting the Gospel.

Bombay—Mr. J. P. Ashwal writes—The Rev. J. M. Jayasingh Organizing Secretary, South India, toured in Bombay and arranged prayer meetings in several parts of Bombay City.

U.P. Bageswar—Mr. Bachesingh writes—As usual I contact people in the shops, and shop keepers and preach in bus-stands. I also visited number of villages surrounding Bageswar.

Jawadhi Hills—Rev. D. Elias writes.—During August, a group of 7 evangelists visited Jawadhi and spent 35 days touring in all villages and preached the Gospel. The group was very much impressed. As usual medical work is going on, 101 men, 31 women and 42 children were given treatment. At Kalyana-mandai Mrs. Victor is carrying on medical work. 64 men, 75 women and 40 children received medical aid. At Athipet, as

usual we arrange prayer meetings and present the Gospel. At Athipet the C.M.S. Gospel team of 7 members visited the places and along with them, we presented the Gospel. Children are much interested but the parents do not allow them to attend night classes. Prayers of friends are requested. At Nadanur, Mr. Gnanamuthu writes: The work of the building of dispensary and quarters is still going on and is likely to be over shortly.

Nepal—Butwal—Mr. V.T. Abraham writes—There is a friend Singveer. He has secretly accepted Christ. In order to give him trouble, the village people arranged a pooja with the sacrifice of a goat and invited Mr. Singveer. But, my friend stoutly refused to attend the function. As the people were fighting with one another, they did not touch him. Prayers of friends are requested for this young seeker after Christ. Mr. Kulbahadur after losing his all by a miscreant setting fire, to his house he is just pulling up. Please pray for him.

Orissa—Puri—Rev. Paul Sanjeevi writes—Recently 2 enquirers have come to us. Ellaram and Buddiyam. Members are requested to pray for them.

Great Hymns and their Authors No. 18

William Williams 1717-1791

"Guide me, O Thou, Great Jehovah"

Songs and Solos 524

Methodist Hymnal 615

William Williams son of a prosperous farmer was born on February 11, 1717 in Carmarthenshire Wales. He wanted to prepare for a career as a physician but switched on to the holy ministry. On account of his evangelistic views, he was denied priests' orders of the then Established church and was for a time associated with the great revival work of John & Charles Wesleys. He was a great itinerant preacher and is reported to have travelled on foot and horseback over 100000 miles in 43 years of his ministry. He was also a great hymn writer with 800 hymns to his credit. Countess of Huntingdon founded a college in South wales to train godly and pious youngmen for the ministry in Wales. She wanted a new and original hymn to be sung on the inaugural day. On her request Mr. W. Williams composed this hymn "Guide me, O Thou, Great Jehovah" in Welsh for the opening day and it was translated into English by his brother Peter Williams. The hymn became famous throughout Christendom and it is stated that the Welsh people are so attached to the memory of their Welsh author that they still sing this song as

English men sing their National anthem. W. Williams is also the author of other famous hymns as "Alleluia" and "Gloria in Excelsis" He died full of honours by the Welsh on Jan. 11, 1791 at Panty Celyon Wales.

E. P. Gnanabharanam

Reaction to my Article on Andamans

Published in N.M.I. April & May Issues

We are thankful to the writers for making the observations on the Articles.

I have stated the limitations of my Articles on Andamans at the beginning of the first part. My observation during my brief stay in Andamans to study the missionary work from the missionary point of view. So, I have to confess that the brief stay cannot bring out the whole truth. But, what I have stated is purely my own personal observation and the things I heard on enquiry. So, as such it has its own limitations. One of the reaction says that "the second part of your Article is very out-spoken. Of course, this will certainly affect the feelings of suceptibility of some persons." I have also received letters of reaction from three other persons expressing the feeling of hurt. It was not my intention to hurt people. So, I pray to the affected friends, to be forgiven.

K. G. S Dorairaj.

A Message from Mr. S. Gnanamuthu,

Evangelist, Nadanur

I, S. Gnanamuthu, Evangelist at Nadanur, thank all the friends of the Society, who helped me to re-coup the loss of property due to burglary in my house. May God bless you all. I have received all the gifts sent to me through the Society. I am grateful to the Society for appealing for help and also thank everyone for their generosity.

Please remember me and our Society's work and we remember you in our prayers.

**Yours in His service,
Sd.S.Gnanamuthu.**

Subscriptions received for the months of August and September 1975

Uttar Pradesh

Thro' Mr. J. Das, Kanpur	100	00
Dr. P. I. Itteyereh, Agra	100	00
Mr. George Masih, Kanpur	15	00
Mr. S. C. Singh, Kanpur	3	00
	218	00

Kashmir

Mr. Akshoy Jyotiroy, Srinagar	15	00
Dr. K. N. Thakur Das, Srinagar	30	00
	45	00

Delhi

Cathedral Church of Redemption, Delhi	250	00
Mr. B. C. Ghose, Delhi	8	00
Mrs. Hector Singh, Delhi	5	00
Mr. Daniel Yunas, Delhi	40	00

Thro' Mr. Francis Pershad

Mr. Francis Pershad	30	00
„ E. D. B. Paul	30	00
Rev. Yusuf Singh	30	00
Mr. Paul Prem Chand	20	00
„ A. Parvez	20	00
„ Alexander Sam Nathan	20	00
„ K. K. Massey	10	00
„ P. C. Eric	10	00
„ E. B. Bhajan	10	00
„ E. Cornelius	10	00
„ H. Y. Massey	10	00
„ L. V. Singh	10	00
Miss. Sarala Lall	10	00
„ Hedy Lamaar	10	00
Mrs. Roseline Raj	10	00
Mr. Mehtab Singh	4	00
„ S. Frank	2	00
„ George D. Masih	2	00
„ J. V. K. Singh	10	00
	561	00

Bihar

Mr. D. A. Sighamony, Jamshedpur	10	00
	10	00

Orissa

Mr. A. C. Misra, Jatni	10	00
Rev. S. V. P. Jayaraj	10	00
Mr. Nisikanta Das, Cuttack	30	00
„ Sanantha Kumar	15	00
„ J. K. Das, Cuttack	5	00
	70	00

Maharashtra

Secretary, Bombay Area Committee, Bombay towards the salary of Mr. F. Bhasme	576	10
Mr. Gnanaiah, Bombay	50	00
Mr. Dorairaj, „	20	00

Collections of Mr. J. P. Ashwal

Chembur	113	00
Bandra	111	00
Andheri	10	00
Byculla	25	00
Vikhroli	34	50
Marol	115	50
Ghatkoper	19	00
Bhandup	33	00
	1,107	10

Gujarat

Mr. F. W. Jesudas, Baroda	25	00
	25	00

Madhya Pradesh

Thro' Secretary, Jabalpur Branch

Mr. E. Nicholas	2	00
Mr. & Mrs. C. J. Cornelius	5	00
Master Pramod Kumar Sukrit	3	00

Dr. S. K. Parmar	5 00
Mr. A. Vishnu	5 00
„ Martin Lal	2 00
Mrs. L. Masih	2 00
„ S. Dhanyabad	2 00
„ D. Noah	2 00
Rev. E. F. Albert	100 00
Mr. R. K. Jacob	2 00
Mrs. Olive Park	10 00

140 00

Karnataka

St. John's Church, Bangalore	100 00
Mr. & Mrs. Stanley William, Bangalore	50 00
Thro' Mrs. G. Sathiaraj, Bangalore	236 00
Mr. G. I. S. Paul, Bangalore	20 00
Mrs. M. C. Amanna, Udipi	30 00
Dr. K. C. Jacob, Bangalore	30 00
Mr. Kaphael A. Satyavrita, Bangalore	30 00
Mr. R. Denny, Kolar Gold Field	5 00
Thro' Mr. J. David, Bangalore	
M/s. Ewe David	100 00
„ A. Manickam	60 00
„ J. David	50 00
Mrs. G. Inbanathan	50 00
„ V. Sebastian	60 00
A Friend	25 00
Staff of Goodwill Girls' High School, Bangalore	62 00

920 00

Kerala

Thirumala Prayer Fellowship, Trivandrum	50 00
Thro' Miss. A. Thomas, Calicut	52 00
Treasurer, Trivandrum Branch	600 00
Mr. S. Lawrence, Trivandram	30 00
Mr. Robinson Crusoe, Kaipattoor	10 00
Mr. Gnana Prathapa Prasad, Vazhuthur	1100 00
Mr. J. S. Jesudasan, Trivandrum	10 00

Mr. P. P. Mathai, Asamanoor	10 00
Mr. Alexander Samuel, Quilon	45 00
'A believer', Udyogamandal	50 00
Mr. T. S. Thomas, Cochin-3	10 00

1967 00

Rajasthan

Methodist Church, Ajmer	50 00
Mr. K. L. David, Ajmer	15 00
Mrs. Swain, Ajmer	15 00
Rev. Thomas Philip	15 00
Mr. E. J. Nathaniel	5 00

100 00

Andhra Pradesh

Thro' Mrs. Emid David, Hyderabad-1	106 00
Thro' Mrs. F. Baskar Raj, Secunderabad	42 00
Mr. G. S. Thangraj, Nellore	10 00
Mr. A. G. P. Devasigha- mony, Secunderabad	40 00
Mr. N. Gnanasighamony, Secunderabad	5 00
Mr. A. E. Abraham, Chittoor	5 00
Mr. V. Cormaty, East Godavari	15 00
Rev. N. Samuel, Kurnool District	5 00

Collections of Pastor Rosaiah in Nellore

Rev. B. Samuel	10 00
Mr. J. M. Franklin	10 00
Rev. K. A. Samuel	10 00
„ G. Emmanuel	10 00
„ Ruth Thromound	20 00
„ D. V. Samuel	10 00
Mr. A. K. Prabudass	3 00
„ G. Sadgna Rao	3 00
Rev. B. R. Moses	10 00
Mrs. Elsi	2 00
Rev. Danam Israel	20 00

336 00

Madras City

Treasurer, St. Paul's Church, Madras-7	100 00
Thro' Mrs. A. Dorairaj	552 00
„ „ Stella Moses	69 50
„ „ Joy Pandian	93 00
„ „ A. Kesari	13 00

Mr. S. F. Jayavelu	57	50
" Thomas Bauliah	608	00
" Pitchaipillai	208	00
" E. Paul		
" Gnanabharanam	719	00
" S. S. Samuel	206	00
" J. F. Davaraj	158	50
" S. Owen	64	00
" Alfred Vetharaj	98	50
" Dharmaraj	487	00
" R. Joseph	432	00
Mr. Paul Das, Madras-51	1	00
" W. Prakash	4	00
" G. I. Sathiaraj,		
Madras-40	20	00
" E. Lazarus, Madras-23	4	00
Dr. Jayapaul Azariah	20	00
Mr. G. Francis, Madras-85	5	00
Miss D. Bakkiam, Madras-7	12	00
Mr. M. P. Senathipathy,		
Madras-1	5	00
" P. Abrahams, Madras-2	5	00
" R. J. Shekaran,		
Madras-2	5	00
" D. Ananda Rao,		
Madras-6	30	00
" Ravi George, Madras-1	5	00
" Arthur Purushothaman,		
Madras-59	20	00
" V. J. Santhappan,		
Madras-12	25	00
" J. E. Devasahayam,		
Madras	60	00
" Ebenezer Jayamanee,		
Madras	15	00
" D. Devanithi,		
Madras-6	20	00
Mrs. Grace Thambidurai,		
Madras-7	5	00
Mr. L. M. Christian,		
Madras-1	25	00
Rev. D. Dhanaraj,		
Madras-7	5	00
Mrs. Jayakumar	25	00
Mr. Pandian, Madras-2	10	00
Mr. D. A. Timothy	5	00
" Jayakumar Timothy	5	00
" V. Samuel, Madras-8	5	00
	4207	00

Special Receipts

Thro' Dr. K. Kurien,		
Dindigul for Bihar work	600	00
Mr. E. M. Sant Singh,		
Poona, for Puri Work	25	00

Master Paul Devaevu,		
Bombay for Andaman		
Work	51	00
Treasurer, Madurai City		
Area Committee for Mr.		
Abraham's son's		
scholarship	258	00

Help to Nadanur Worker

Mr. R. Nathaneil, Delhi	50	00
Mrs. E. C. Harris,		
Bombay-8	25	00
Mr. M. C. Christian,		
Tiruvalla	15	00
Treasurer, Trivandrum		
Branch	100	00
	190	00

Life Membership

Mrs. A. Dorairaj		
Madras-14 (I Instal.)	40	00
Mr. Prahladraj Garg,		
Madras-1	100	00
Mr. Subhas Chandra		
Patra, Cuttack	100	00
Mr. Julius P. Lal,		
Jodhpur	100	00
Mr. A. K. Das, Lucknow	100	00
" S. T. Savanagouder,		
Hubli	100	00
" H. S. Kadambakkam,		
Delhi	101	00
" N. Pandian,		
Mannargudi	100	00
	741	00

Birth Day Gifts

Mr. Paul Krupanandam,		
Chingleput	5	00
Mrs. E. A. Masih,		
Sohagpur	2	00
Ku. Pushpa Masih, Sohagpur	2	00
Malti Masih, Sohagpur	2	00
Mrs. Lily Jeyaraj	5	00
Mr. G. Solomon, Madras	10	00
Mrs. Karpagam		
Gnanabharanam, Madras	10	00
Mr. Devaprasad, Madras	10	00
Mr. S. R. Samuel,		
Bangalore-54	10	00
Mr. Justin S. Jesudasan,		
Trivandrum	75	00
Mr. Winslow M. James,		
Allahabad-2	5	00

Miss. Mercy Angelyne Kenneth, Madras	2 00
M/s. J. Evelyn, J. Samuel Katpadi	5 00
Mr. I. S. Thomas Michael, Madras-14	103 00
Mrs. Padma Justus, Nagercoil	10 00
Mr. Theodore Aaron Singh, Kanpur	2 00
Mrs. Eliazabeth James, Lucknow	5 00
Miss. Dæpa James, Luckow	5 00
Mrs. K. M. R. Rao, Secunderabad	15 00
The Rev. K. G. S. Dorairaj, Madras-14	10 00
Mrs. Isabella Charles Vellore	5 00
Thro' Mr. J. P. Ashwal, Bombay	10 00
Miss. Anupama C. Ashwal, Bombay	3 00
Mr. A. C. Furtadu, Bombay	10 00
	321 00

Madras City Prayer Meeting Collections

Thro' Mr. P. C. Arumainayagam	40 16
Meeting at NMS Office	17 00
Mr. Colton Samuel	5 00
	62 16

Field Receipts

Jawadhi Hills	139 00
Muddebihal	41 70
Bageshwar	10 00
Dabra-Gwalior	77 00
Uppada	10 00
Isapanthy Ashram	329 00
	606 70

South Tamil Area

Methodist Girls' High School, Trichy	67 60
All Saints Middle School, Trichy-17	22 00

Treasurer, K. K. Diocese, towards the slary of Prayer Band workers	7377 60
C.S.I. Church, Thiruvapur thro' Mr. John Devaraj	86 25
Treasurer, St. John's Church, Trichy	50 00
Mr. Paul Singaram, Thichy-20	20 00
Mr. T. Thangappa, K. K. Thro' Mr. T. Samuel,	15 00
Thanjavur	60 50
Mr. P. K. Samuel, Nagai Treasurer, Madurai City Area (Sale Proceeds)	195 00
Mr. S. J. Abraham, Trichy	4000 00
Mr. C. J. Anthony, Pudukottai	20 00
Mr. D. J. Paulraj, Virudhunagar	9 £0
Mr. G. H. Clarence, Cuddalore	10 00
Miss G. P. Devasahayam, Nagercoil	20 00
Mr. & Mrs. John Victor, Kuzbithurai	40 00
Mr. J. Christopher, Vilavancode	5 00
Mrs. M. R. Packianathan, Madurai-6	9 00
Mrs. S. Manickavalli, Tuticorin	60 00
Mrs. S. Suvithamani	10 00
Mr. M. D. Wilfred, Trichy-20	12 00
Rev. Alagusundaram, Trichy-20	10 00
Selvi K. Ethel Navamoni, Cuddalore	5 00
Mrs. C. E. Smith	25 00
Mrs. Mabel Vedavanam, Palayankottai	20 00
Mr. Paul Doss, Madurai	10 00
Mr. Navanithan, Sankarankoil	1 00
Mr. D. V. Devan, Kodaikanal	5 00
Mrs. Jayaseeli Josephus, Try-17	10 00
Mrs. S. J. Samuel, Karur	15 00
	5 00

Thro' Mr. J. Shelton, Trichy

Mr. D. Jeyachandran	20 00
„ P. Hemachandran	20 00
„ D. Thambusamy	20 00
„ Dhanasegar	10 00
„ S. Thasamani	40 00

Mr. J. Shelton	10	00
„ H. S. S. Singh	10	00
„ P. Jeyakumar	10	00
„ Umesh Appadurai	10	00
„ Mahesh Appadurai	10	00
„ D. K. T. Felix	6	00
„ Earnest Devapiriam	4	00
„ Ramasamy	3	00
„ P. Samuel Jayaseelan,		
Jayankondom	10	00
„ Raphael Paul, Madurai	10	00
	8477	95

Miss. Isabella Malini,		
Salem	5	00
Rev. C. S. Paulraj,		
Dharmapuri	5	00
	1941	67

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from December, 74 to
August, 75*

North Tamil Area

Ashram School, Vellore		
Thro' Rt. Rev. Henry		
Lazarus	20	00
Headmistress, Ebenezer		
Aided School, Katpadi	36	00
Dr. Y. Samuel Charles,		
Ranipet	30	00
CSI Christ Church, Salem	16	92
Treasurer, Christ Church,		
Coimbatore-18	959	50
Thro' Mr. Jason Jayaraj,		
Kancheepuram	35	25
Secretary, Salem Branch	107	00
Mr. P. V. Mathew, Coonoor	10	00
Mrs. Prakasam, Coimbatore	10	00
M/s. T. Lawrence,		
Kockanoor	10	00
M/s. A. Isaac Newton		
Kockanoor	10	00
M/s. A. Thomas William,		
Kockanoor	10	00
M/s. P. Kanagaratnam		
Kockanoor	2	00
Mrs. Leelavathy Johnson,		
Ranipet	20	00
Rev. Rajah D. Stephen,		
Salem	100	00
Mrs. Jessie, Samuel,		
Vellore	10	00
Mr. D. P. Amos, Vellore-3	5	00
Mrs. Grace Devadason,		
Katpadi	500	00
Rev. C. S. Paulraj,		
Dharmapuri	5	00
Mr. V. D. Chandramani,		
Tiruppur	5	00
Mr. J. Prabath Singh,		
Coonoor	5	00
Mr. M. Gnanapragasam,		
Tindivanam	20	00
Mr. T. Inbaraj, Kockanoor	5	00

M/s. S. Chelliah	2	00
„ S. Jeyaraj	7	00
Mrs. Pushparethinam	7	00
„ J. Gladys	7	00
„ G. V. Rani	7	00
„ Leela Rosalind	3	50
„ Hebziba	7	00
„ S. Paulian	14	00
„ G. D. Prema	7	00
„ D. Jayaseeli	7	00
Mr. Issac	3	50
Miss. D. Eclishia	3	50
Mrs. T. M. Mabel Lalitha	7	00
„ Flora Jeyaraj	21	00
Miss. A. Kamalam	35	00
Mrs. Devakumari	14	00
„ J. Jayaseeli	13	00
Miss. N. Jayakumari	14	00
Mrs. Mary Catherine	14	00
Mr. N. Ramasamy	14	00
Mrs. S. Elizabeth	14	00
„ P. Daisy Mangalam	7	00
„ Jessie Pandian	7	00
„ P. Sarojini	7	00
„ D. Arunothayam	7	00
„ Jeeva David	7	00
„ T. Dhanamoni	7	00
Miss. J. Margaret	7	00
Mrs. Jothimoni	7	00
„ Mary Bell Sulochana Bai	3	50
Miss. K. G. Kasthuri Bai	7	00
Mrs. J. Indirabai	5	00
„ Vijayaseeli Kamala	5	00
Mr. T. Samuel Rajan	14	00
„ A. Devasirvatham	7	00
„ R. P. Paulraj	7	00
„ A. D. Asirvatham	7	00
„ D. Richardson	7	00
„ P. K. Samuel	19	50
Mrs. Clement	10	00
Miss. V. Grace	5	00
Mrs. N. Gabriel	5	00
Mr. J. Hackani Sahib	10	00
„ Krishnamoorthy	3	00

„ N. S. Christopher	5 00	„ „ Benjamin Masih	8 00
Mrs. Julius	3 00	„ „ Hardwin Spencer	4 00
Mr. J. Dhanaraj Daniel	5 00	„ „ H. H. Singh	4 00
„ Albert Victor	1 00	„ „ Yaqub Masih	4 00
„ J. S. Dhanaraj	2 00	„ „ Markus B Lall	4 00
„ Duraisamy	2 00	„ „ Hamilton	
„ A. Dhanaraj	4 00	„ „ Sherring	2 00
„ Manoharan	30 00	„ „ R. P. Sagagilee	2 00
		„ „ Sharily Chawhan	4 00
	449 00	Master Benjamin Y. Masih	4 00
		Mr. & Mrs. Job, C.M.	2 00
		„ „ Philip Mangi	1 00
<i>Thro' Rev. Edwin Sherring</i>		Mrs. T. John	2 00
Rev. & Mrs. Edwin Sherring	10 00	„ Kamla	2 00
Mr. & Mrs. D. V Hoffman	10 00	Prayer Meeting Collections	9 00
„ „ Amilkumar			77 00
„ „ Jacob	5 00		

AN APPEAL

The Advent Season and Christmas is fast approaching. Christmas is not only a season of happiness to us alone, but also a season to make others happy. I take this opportunity of appealing to the friends of the Society to remember the N.M.S. workers, who are scattered all over India in most difficult places, even devoid of Christian fellowship and to send gifts for Christmas to enable the Society to distribute to the worker. N.M.S. does not pay anything extra to the workers for Christmas. Usually, we get presents from friends and disburse equally to the workers, who are in the field. N.M.S. does not encourage personal gifts. So, friends are requested to remember our workers and send their gifts to the office, "N.M.S., 102, Peters Road, Madras-14." Please also indicate in M.O. coupons as "Christmas Gifts."

Thanking you,

Yours in His service,
K. G. S. Dorairaj.